

Planning Officer: Mr Z Denton

Planning Application Ref: EP/88/20/DOC

Location: Seahaven, Seafield Road, East Preston, BN16 1NA

Description of works: Approval of details reserved by condition imposed under ref EP/75/19/PL relating to Condition No 5 - arboricultural

Comments on Application:

Condition 5 - Before the site is occupied or any machinery is introduced to the site or demolition work or construction work or alterations to existing ground levels takes place a PRE-COMMENCEMENT Site Meeting is to take place between the Planning Authority's Tree Officer and the Arboricultural Expert representing the site owner(s) - at this meeting all protective fencing and ground protection measures will be inspected to verify they are 'Fit for Purpose' as required under British Standard 5837:2012 and have been erected and positioned exactly as shown on the Tree Protection Plan (Appendix A of the AIA/AMS), August 2019. A schedule of Site Monitoring/Supervision visits and Reporting Procedures prepared by an Arboricultural Expert will be required and their extent will be agreed on at the site meeting to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority's Tree Officer.

Reasons: To comply with BS5837 and to ensure that retained trees are afforded due respect and appropriate levels of protection such that their ongoing health and vitality is not unduly compromised, and they can continue to enhance the landscape and amenity of the area.

- I visited site on 9th March 2020 with a view to discharging the above Condition. The applicant's agent David Fuller (Fuller Associates) and project arboriculturist James Bell (Arbortrack Systems Ltd) were in attendance. We walked all areas of the site where tree protection was to be installed.
- The majority of tree protective measures were seen to be correctly installed and in accordance with the approved Tree Protection Plan. A few minor omissions and transgressions were observed. No lasting damage is anticipated and a plan was agreed on-site to make several refinements in good time. Those have been described in Mr Bell's Site Monitoring Report Sheet.

Conclusions:

- The few minor omissions and transgressions I observed at the time of my inspection have been resolved to my satisfaction.

Recommendations:

- I recommend we now discharge condition 5 under this application reference.

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team