

From: Anita Gardner

Sent: 13 November 2015 14:22

Subject: FW: 5691T\C01 Hollyacre, Toddington Lane, Littlehampton LU/116/13

Dear Mr St Clair,

Further to my e-mail yesterday I have now received the comments of the Council's Tree Officer and can advise that re-pollarding of the tree belt will be acceptable. He also recommends that only the large diameter regrowth is removed, and to leave small diameter regrowth in situ (to form the new canopy). This would be due to the large time elapsed since the last pruning cycle and the size of the regrowth to be removed.

Regards

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From: Anita Gardner

Sent: 12 November 2015 12:32

Cc: Dafydd Lloyd

Subject: RE: 5691T\C01 Hollyacre, Toddington Lane, Littlehampton LU/116/13

Dear Mr St Clair,

I have looked at the above planning permission and can advise that during the life of the application the proposed landscaping scheme was amended. Initially the southern boundary only indicated retention of the existing trees and this boundary treatment was subsequently altered to not only retain the trees, but also to supplement the planting to provide a 4m wide buffer strip. Whilst the trees were categorised as Grade U this does not meet they should be removed.

The planting and tree retention are controlled under condition 7 and therefore any alteration would require the submission of an application to vary the condition, but in my view such a change would not be supported since screening along this boundary adjacent to the railway line is an important and essential buffer.

I will respond to you in course regarding the acceptability of pruning of the trees once I have concluded my discussions with the Council's Arborist.

Regards

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From: Neil St Clair [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 November 2015 11:32

To: Planning [REDACTED]

Subject: 5691T\C01 Hollyacre, Toddington Lane, Littlehampton LU/116/13

Dear Sirs,

As per conversation this morning we are emailing to the general planning email address as we understand the original case officer Mr C Cronin is no longer at Arun DC and a new case office has yet to be assigned.

With reference to the southern-boundary (bordering Network Rail), would you have any objection towards the pollarding of the existing trees back to where they were previously cut or the removal of these trees?

From the contractors visual inspection it would appear that the trees were previously pollarded to approximately 4m from ground level and they have been advised that they will need regular pollarding every 8-10 years and that they are due now. Also we note that within the Arboricultural Survey from PJC submitted with the planning application these group of trees G3 are noted as in poor condition with weak stem unions, decayed pollard points and were classified as class U.

The approved planning layout mentions retaining the these trees, and supplementing where necessary. At present the contractor does not feel there is much scope for additional planting within this area and the preference is for their removal.

Can you please advise accordingly.

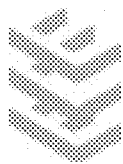
Kind Regards

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