

Planning Officer: Mr Michael Eastham

Planning Application Ref: WA/95/19/DOC

Location: Land East of Tye Lane, Walberton

Description of works: Approval of details reserved by condition imposed under ref **WA/95/18/RES** relating to **Condition No 5** - golf mitigation

Comments on Application:

'Prior to any development of a dwelling above damp-proof course level, a scheme setting any on-site or off-site mitigation measures necessary to minimise the ingress of golf balls onto the application site shall be submitted to and be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be implemented in full prior to the occupation and use of the dwellings to which the mitigation measures relates and any mitigation measures (e.g. ball stop fences) shall be maintained in good condition thereafter.'

Reason: In the interests of health and safety and to protect the residential amenity of the development, in accordance with Policy D DM1 of the Local Plan.'

- The applicant has instructed Barton Hyett / Arboricultural Consultants to provide an **Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Method Statement (AIA & MS)**, ref. **C.2636, Rev B, 12.12.2019** in support of this element of the project. Only minor tree pruning to facilitate installation and future maintenance is proposed; which is tolerable and most importantly, the vast majority of excavation for supporting post foundations will be along the line of existing tree protection fencing and so the impact on retained trees is not considered significant.

Conclusions:

- I endorse the aforementioned arboricultural report associated with this application. The report is comprehensive and provides us with some reassurance that no retained trees will be adversely affected by the installation and future maintenance of the ball stop fences. It is anticipated that the applicant will instruct their arboricultural consultant (Barton Hyett) to provide us with an auditable trail of site supervision and monitoring in the form of brief report and photographic evidence where necessary, at key stages of the development - as proposed in the **AIA & MS**, p10, sect.6.9, **Sequence of Site Operations and Compliance Action Requirements**.

Recommendations:

- I see no reason to object to the discharge of this condition on arboricultural grounds.

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team