

Osmond, Gary

From: Stringer, Chris
Sent: 10 January 2024 12:11
To: Osmond, Gary
Subject: F/23/95982 - WILLOW MEAD, WILDERN LANE, HEDGE END

Hi Gary,

F/23/95982 - WILLOW MEAD, WILDERN LANE, HEDGE END

Arboricultural Documents

Arboricultural Method Statement reference JFA0329

Comments

The principal arboricultural features are 3 no. oak trees located on neighbouring land to the south of the application site. In particular, trees 2 and 3 are considered of significance for this proposal and are subject to Tree Preservation Orders.

We have two main concerns with the proposal:

- 1) The structure encroaches into the root protection area by a relatively small amount (3.3% is stated in the arboricultural report), but we are not convinced this is a true reflection of the potential encroachment because there are modifying factors to the south, namely the existing dwelling and footpath. These built structures may have restricted the root growth in this direction, resulting in a potentially greater requirement for the proposed development area for rooting. As it stands, the application has not suitably demonstrated that this is not the case and, thus, we default to the potential for greater impact.
- 2) Both trees 2 and 3 will be dominant over both the proposed structure and the private amenity space, resulting in shading and perceived risk. The proposed crown lifting and reduction of the branches of T2 would provide a more acceptable relationship to the structure but the trees would still be dominant and there is potential for post-development pressure to prune to a greater extent. Further, by pruning the tree it is accepted that there is a poor relationship at present. In other words, the existing, protected tree would be impacted by the proposal as it currently stands. The trees and Development SPD states that layouts must be designed to ensure that retained trees are able to grow and mature in the space provided (i.e. without the requirement for pruning). We are reluctant to support any proposal where regular pruning is required to manage the relationship.

As it stands, we raise an objection to the proposal as it is contrary to policy DM1 and guidance set out in the Trees and Development SPD.

Kind regards,

Chris.

Chris Stringer

Tree Consultant

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Subject: Planning App Consultation Request Internal F/23/95982

Application No: F/23/95982

Address: WILLOW MEAD, WILDERN LANE, HEDGE END

Description: Construction of 4 new 1no Bedroom retirement flats and associated parking.

Would you please let me have your observations on the above application.

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In order to meet the Government's challenging targets for our speed of determining applications, we require any comments you wish to make within 14 days from the date of this memo. Failure to meet this time period will usually result in an application being determined without your comments being considered.

Please reply to the planning officer on the below email address.

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Kind regards
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