

CS/26/101329 – Hilton House, Weston Parade, Southampton

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Dear Rebecca,

Because we are not directly involved with the application, our points will be relatively general. We will mostly defer to the arboricultural team at Southampton City Council (SCC), who will have the ability to interact/request further information from the applicant.

From the plans and documents provided, our main concern would be ground compaction from repeated vehicle movements. However, it is not clear how much movement has historically occurred on site and what it has done to the soil structure. It may be that the structure is already significantly compacted.

It has been stated in the arboricultural documents that some of the pitch locations are gravel, but it is not clear where gravel extends to from the plans. Overall, we would have concerns over the information submitted: whilst it is positive that information has been submitted at application stage, we do not feel it fully alleviates our concerns.

Finally, we cannot comment on any proposed arboricultural management - the trees are protected by a TPO administered by SCC. There appears to be no work required to enact the permission, so any work will have to be submitted in a TPO application to SCC.

Kind regards,

Chris.