

H/25/99989 – 36 STIRLING CRESCENT, HEDGE END

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Hi Charlie,

The site itself is effectively tree free. However, there is a linear arboricultural feature that is situated to the east of the site and which separates the site from Maunsell Way. The trees within this feature provide high levels of amenity and are subject to a Tree preservation Order (TPO).

We have reviewed the arboricultural report (Ref: AIA/AMS-KC/37STIRLING/001) and the tree protection plan (Ref: TPP-KC/36STIRLING/001) supplied with the application.

Whilst we acknowledge that the area to the side of the house is currently hardstanding, it has not been demonstrated by the applicant that the proposed side extension can be constructed without significant harm to the existing trees. We agree with the arboricultural report that, in some cases, low impact foundations can be used (e.g. screw piles), but the applicant has not demonstrated that they can be achieved in this situation. We are particularly concerned with final levels and marrying the existing internal floor levels given that any extension would potentially sit higher. Can this be achieved on this site?

Until the applicant can demonstrate that the use of piles is feasible, especially with the levels, we are forced to raise a holding objection.