

Consultee Comments for Planning Application APP/18/00071

Application Summary

Application Number: APP/18/00071

Address: Plot 2, Hermitage Park, Harts Farm Way, Havant, PO9 1FA

Proposal: Proposed new factory and wood chip store and associated works for B1, B2 and B8 use.

Case Officer: Rachael McMurray

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From a landscape perspective we do not object to the principal of this development, however we have the following comments:

- The proposed tree species *Carpinus betulus* Lucas is not deemed a suitable species to act as screening to soften views of the building. The fastigate form of the canopy will not offer an acceptable amount of cover and as such should be replaced with a larger legacy species such as *Quercus robur*. Furthermore we will require a greater number of tree planting to the north of the site to help soften view as 5 no. is not sufficient.
- The proposed tree size of 14-16cm girth and 2.5m height is not deemed adequate screening in relation to a 13m height building. The minimum size acceptable would be semi-mature trees 20-25cm girth 4.5-5.5m height.
- It is noted that the screening vegetation is still being proposed to be planted on a 600mm bund, this is not appropriate as the root system would predominately be within the bund and this has the potential to dry out in the summer/dry months which could lead to the trees/hedge to fail.
- The proposed continuous lines of car parking need to be broken up with tree/vegetation planting.

Kind regards,

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