

Please find my comments below for **APP/17/01327 Hooks Lane Ground Clubhouse, Fraser Road, Havant, PO9 3EJ**

The supporting arboricultural evidence is comprehensive and outlined in the following points:

Minimal tree removal is required to facilitate development as well as a requirement for some tree pruning works to facilitate works.

The trees proposed for removal are all of low value and grading and most could have been removed for sound arboricultural reasons regardless of any redevelopment proposals.

These trees are :

T1 - Cherry U Cat.

T4 - Apple U Cat.

T5 - Cherry U Cat.

In addition to this there are three high quality Leyland Cypress hedges scheduled for removal to allow for the facilitation of the soil bung. Whilst I can not insist on the retention of hedges or protect via a TPO I can not support this removal as it will impact on the character of the site. However I would welcome a high level of shrub and tree planting as well as other landscape features to be added to enhance this site so as to adequately mitigate the loss of any current trees from this site.

In summary, provided that the methodology prescribed in the AMS & TPP report is strictly adhered to and a site monitoring/pre commencement exercise is undertaken I would expect the retained trees to survive the development unscathed and to continue to grow on in the future.

Therefore I have no objections to this scheme in arboricultural terms.

Regards

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