
TO: HBC Planning Services
FROM: Consultee Hampshire County Council
Arboricultural Consultancy
SUBJECT: **Trevanion, 1 Beach Rd, Emsworth**
DATE: Tuesday, 30 April 2024
REF: APP/23/01071
YOUR REF:

Dear Case Officer.

1. I have carried out a review of the relevant documents available on the HBC planning portal and provide the following comments. Please note this is as desktop review only, as I have not had instruction for a site visit. In the absence of a site visit I must assume the submitted descriptions and assessments of the trees and the site to be true, fair, and accurate.
2. I understand that this is a resubmission of a previous application. I have not reviewed any documents from this previous application, but I understand it was subject to conditions.
3. My comments relate primarily to the 'Further Information on Tree Protection Measures' submitted, comprising of an email copy and photograph. However, I have reviewed other submitted documents so that I can provide reasonable advice, regarding the imposed conditions, and questions from the applicant.
4. The second condition, in relation to trees, have required that the Arboricultural Reports and plans AIA.BR.0810.v1; AMS.BR.0810.v1; & TPP.BR.0810.v1, submitted are adhered to.
5. The TPP shows the positions where tree protective fencing must be positioned. The photograph supplied indicates that these are not in the position shown on the submitted Tree Protection Plan (TPP). The fencing would need to be at least 3.7m from the birch tree T2 the Heras panels used are around 3m long. No fencing is shown around T1 (RPA 3m from the tree). This would be acceptable providing the existing driveway is retained. If this is to be removed then precautions would be necessary to prevent damage to roots and the rooting area, and amended arboricultural information would be required as set out in the conditioned AMS. The storage container could be used as a temporary barrier, but this should be elevated off the ground to prevent soil compaction. Fencing is not required around T12 if this has been removed. As a note there should also be tree protection fencing in the rear garden, as shown on the TPP.
6. The final, pre-start, condition requires the submission and approval of No-Dig cellular confinement system for the front driveway. However, such a system is only necessary where new hard surfacing would encroach into the Root Protection Areas (RPA) of the retained trees. Notwithstanding the imposed condition, it would be better, in my opinion, to layout the new driveway so that it does not encroach into any RPA avoiding the need for specialist methods and materials as suggested by the condition. Mulching the area around the tree(s) will provide an attractive appearance and benefit the trees.

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