

HCC arboriculture.

I offer the following comments in response to the consultation and additional information provided:

1. The proposal shows the removal of several trees from the proposal site, primarily for access. There is no arboricultural information submitted.
2. We will require the following information please:

Arboricultural information in line with BS5837:2012 Trees in relation to demolition, design and construction to include

- Tree survey data, including any offsite trees where they may be impacted by the proposal and any associated activities (access, bunding, contractor parking etc)
- Tree constraints plan (TCP) showing how trees have been considered in the design proposal to minimise impact on important trees
- Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) including a clear description of all trees lost or pruned for the proposal and the mitigation that is offered to reinstate the lost tree cover.
- Tree Protection Plan (TPP) showing how retained trees will be safeguarded through the proposal and construction phase.
- An arboricultural Method Statement (AMS) detailing all operations near trees including any special engineering, installation, surfacing, level or other changes that may impact trees.

We recommend that this is produced by a suitably (L4) qualified arboricultural consultant. In particular, any very old or large trees are to be carefully considered in context of the proposal and retention to be the default position.

At present, it is impossible to assess the impact in arboricultural terms, so I am unable to support the proposal. Therefore please record an objection against this application.

Kind regards,
HCC arboricultural team.