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To: Ian Murray
Subject: 66 Sinah Lane
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Dear Ian Murray

With reference to our conversation with regard to the proposal to erect a garage in the front garden of 66 Sinah Lane.

We discussed the details of previous planning refusal on the basis of detrimental damage to tree roots to the adjacent trees.

I confirm my recommendation that a system to minimize root damage would a proven method similar to the House deck system http://www.abbeypynford.co.uk/house-foundations/housedeck-developer/tree-root-protection-service

This system of a flexible pile and raft type foundation as recommended in the BS5837: 2005 incorporates a process to allow positioning of piles away from major roots and allows the raft to be supported on the piles reducing compaction and disturbance to the root protection area.

It is my estimation that the piles would be 600mmX600mmX1000mm. This would allow for a light structure to be supported. The excavation would need to be undertaken by hand as detailed in the previous method statement.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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