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Dear Mrs Chisnall

Application number: APP/18/00201
The Town and County Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Site Address: 2 Wigan Crescent, Havant PO9 3PP

Proposal: Single storey rear extension and two storey side extension, demolish and relocate existing garage to the rear.

Thank you for your letter dated 9 July 2018 informing me of further revisions to the above application. I would remind you that during our telephone conversation in early May you stated that following the Arboriculturalist's report it was necessary to relocate the garage 30 feet towards the house. In the recent amended block plan (Revision C) dated 9 July 2018 it would appear that the garage has been relocated towards the house by only a fraction of this distance.

Whilst I also note that Revision C of Block Plan 07A shows the height and length of the garage have been fractionally reduced and an indication of how the garage doors will open has been added, I would draw your attention to some of my initial questions which remain unanswered:

1. There is still no defined indication (ie measurement) on the latest block plan of the proximity of the garage to my boundary fence, which I should make clear for the avoidance of any doubt, belongs to me. I have previously requested a distance of 1m should be allowed for all maintenance purposes to garage and fence.
2. No guttering is yet shown on the drawings and it still appears no consideration has been given to any appropriate method of disposing, draining or otherwise managing rainwater falling from the roof. I would submit that the installation of water butts alone would be an unacceptable solution were that the preferred option. Some permanent method of drainage should surely be incorporated.

The Arboriculturalist's report (page 14, clause 4.3.7-9 and page 20) indicates the root protection area (RPA) of the Monterey Cypress (*Macrocarpa*). Paraphrased, it states that "due to the highly alkaline leachate produced during the curing process of wet concrete

within the RPA...an impermeable liner should be installed." It also states that damage or failure of trees (and, presumably, other shrubs) can occur "over time". From the diagram it indicates that an impermeable liner is required on the west and south sides of the garage to protect the Monterey Cypress. I would suggest – and positively request – that this liner is extended to incorporate the north side of the garage to help protect the trees and shrubs close to the boundary within my curtilage. They will be just as much at risk of alkaline damage as the protected tree, are increasingly mature plantings and, as a keen gardener, are of high value to me.

In Maria Stewart's email of 12 June to you, the Arboricultural Officer comments that "more information needs to be submitted regarding what foundations are to be used and a more detailed method statement needs to be submitted with this information". This does not yet appear to be displayed on Havant Borough Council's Planning website. Has this information been received? If so, when will it be posted for public viewing and comment?

I am confused as to what the Arboricultural Officer proposes when, in clause 4.3.9 of his report, he states that the ground level for new hard surfaces should be neither lowered nor raised, yet the garage is to be built on a slope. How is this to be achieved and from what point of ground level will the newly reduced height of the garage be taken? Has the overall height, as it will affect me, actually reduced at all?

Again, I would appreciate your consideration of my comments in the hope an equitable set of solutions can be found for all concerned. It seems to me that at the present time my original and subsequent objections have not been assuaged at all.

Yours sincerely

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Anne McCarthy (Ms)