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21 Park Road, Hayling Island, Hants, PO11 0HT

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Mrs H Lealan, Planning Services
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Dear Mrs Lealan

Site Address: 14 St Catherine's Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0EH

I have been the owner and occupier for over 50 years of 21 Park Road, Hayling Island, which backs immediately on to the address above, I would like to make comments on the planning application which has so far been submitted with the reference above. Whilst I am very sorry to see the present house demolished and replaced by a much larger modern dwelling (380 sq mtrs floorspace rather than the present 170 sq mtrs) I realise there is very little I can do about it.

However what really concerns me is the boundary between my property and this one, which is not specific on the deeds of either house. The previous owner of 14 St Catherine's Road, Commander Lanyan, always took the responsibility for the ditch which runs between our two properties, This came to a head after the great storm of 1987 when a large proportion of the tree marked on your paper (Tree Protection Plan overlay) as '3 stemmed oak' fell into my garden when he accepted responsibility.

In the report submitted by the arboriculture consultant, Kim Gifford, in her planning document published on 29th February 2016, which covers trees T1 to T9, no mention is made of what happens to the 3 stemmed oak which I mentioned above and hangs precariously over some 6 yards of my garden. This and a few other trees (2 oaks and a fir) are dismissed in an area of the garden marked 'No Construction Activities in this area'.

I have always believed that these trees also had TPOs on them and I would be grateful if you could confirm this. Therefore they should have been treated in the same way as those detailed in the report. The 3 stemmed oak, which blots out most of my summer sunshine used to be pruned from time to time by the owners of 14 St Catherine's Road. But since the house has been empty for over two years, nothing had been done.

In short, my comments to you are:

- a. Where is the exact boundary between me and them? I believe this should be specified in our deeds. Mine shows figures of so many feet (between 126 and 135) or thereabouts
- a. Are there TPOs on the trees I have mentioned and why were they not considered by the consultant?
- b. I consider that the 3 stemmed oak, which is in the garden of No 14, should be kept to a manageable height to avoid taking away so much of my light.

Your comments would be most appreciated.

