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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Proposed Soil Bund around the Perimeter of Stockheath Common

Following a review of the proposals to construct a soil bund around the perimeter of Stockheath Common, I have assessed the potential implications for the adjacent trees.

Based on my assessment, I do not consider the proposed works likely to have a detrimental impact on the trees. The majority of the trees within the area are semi-mature and are currently in good condition with satisfactory vitality. The proposed offset distance of approximately 4.5 metres from the tree stems should be sufficient to avoid any significant adverse effects on tree health.

Notwithstanding the above, suitable tree protection measures should be implemented during the construction phase to ensure that stems, roots and surrounding ground conditions are adequately safeguarded throughout the installation of the bund.

The trees are owned and managed by Portsmouth City Council and are recorded within our Ezytreev tree management system. They form part of the Council's four-year cyclical inspection programme and will continue to be monitored and managed in accordance with our ongoing tree management practices.

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

Yours faithfully

Simon Pearce
Arboricultural Officer