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From desk based assessment.

At the outline stage the Arboricultural statement appears to highlight a low Arboricultural impact, with only x2 groups of trees Category C along with sections of hedgerow for access. These hedgerow removals will need to be mitigated, I'd suggest through hedge improvement works to retained hedges once the application reaches the reserved matters stage.

With no design finalised I'd like to offer the following with regard to trees:

- In line with the Arboricultural reports recommendations, a new impact assessment + Method statement/finalised tree protection plan will be required once designs have been finalised under reserved matters.
- A replanting/landscaping plan will also be required. Hedge improvement works will form valuable mitigation for hedge removals.
- The site contains numerous category A and B features. Layout should seek to work around these features to ensure their retention.
- Retention of hedges, higher quality trees, and protected trees will be aided by providing a buffer between development and retained features. Where possible retained features should be incorporated into sustainable locations.
- Trees and particularly hedges set for retention should consider buffer areas not only to aid retention but also for future maintenance.
- Many category C features have cavities observed, where safe to do so the design should seek to retain these features. Veteran tree populations in the UK are declining faster than they are being replaced, consequently unique habitat is being lost. This development offers scope to retain trees and hedges with excellent habitat properties. Arboricultural works may be required to allow retention of some features.
- The site contains numerous ash trees. An ash dieback condition survey should be submitted at the reserved matters stage as trees previously marked for retention may require removal, and subsequent replanting.

regards

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