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Sent: 04 February 2020 14:23
To: DC Support
Subject: FW: SW Bicester KMC KMD (Persimmon Homes) - LAP Planting and Tree Pit Details

Re 19/02729/DISC
Thanks

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From: Tim Screen <Tim.Screen@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk>
Sent: 04 February 2020 10:43
To: Linda Griffiths <Linda.Griffiths@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk>
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Morning Linda

In consideration of the planting for the LAP:

1. The 3 no Carpinus betulus, Hornbeam are forest trees and have a potential to reach 17 – 22 m (according to Barcham Trees). They are therefore deemed by me to be ultimately too big for this play area. The canopy spread will mean that bird droppings and detritus from the tree will contaminate the play equipment with regular (and costly) cleansing necessary. The roots will be invasive and cause structural damage to paths and play safer surface. For the same tree positions replace the hornbeams with 3 no .Amelanchier lamarkii, Snowy Mespilus, 14 -16 cm.
2. Prunus avium is again too large for the space and its roots will cause structural damage to paths and play safer surface. Replace with Betula pendula 'Obelisk' with root barrier on the path side.
3. Replace the softer ('trashable') Heuchera and Stachys in the areas near the entrance with a more robust plant species, Lonicera pileata
4. Pittisporum tend to be not so frost hardy.
5. The rather heavy soil should be improve with horticultural grit to improve drainage for the Mediterranean species. Cold wet soils will kill such plants.

I look forward to the revised landscape proposals for the LAP. The tree pit details are acceptable.

Regards

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Subject: Persimmon Homes - Plant Schedule

Linda

As promised


I will prioritise it tomorrow.


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