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Subject: 19/02075/F - CDC Arboriculture comments

Hi George,

Regarding the above referenced application, from desk based assessment.

The site is outside of the conservation area, and holds no trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

There are 3 groups which appear to consist of 7 trees designated for removal under the current Arboricultural Implications report. I agree with the report in that these trees offer little amenity outside of the site, and their removal will not be of detriment to the locality. These removals however should be proportionately mitigated with replanting throughout the site, not just limited to within gardens. I would suggest a replanting plan should be submitted before removals are permitted.

I do hold concerns for the proximity of the north most plot, it appears to be extremely close to a coniferous hedge which will no doubt create future management pressures due to shading. Has there been any discussion regarding management of this hedge? Alternatively I would object to a plot being so close.

There also appears to be a lack of screening between existing properties to the east of the site, and the proposed dwellings. There appears to be some proposed planting within the rear gardens of the properties however this isn't guaranteed to be sustainable.

I hold no objections to the proposed Tree protection measures as demonstrated on the Tree protection plan.

If you require any further comments, please let me know.

Kind regards,

**lain Osenton** 

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