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Subject: RE: Land west of Lodge Cottage, South Avenue, Hurstpierpoint - DM/25/3203
Attachments: 2035-PC-001-revA Landscape Proposals.pdf

Morning Steven,

Following from the below correspondence, please find attached a Revision A of the proposed landscaping plan. This omits the silver birch and the Portuguese Laurel for more native species (English oak).

We trust that this is agreeable.

Let us know if you require any additional information.

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Hi Ben

Thanks for agreeing to that. I would need to have the plans updated to reflect the proposed changes as this is what will be referenced in the decision notice approving the details and discharging the condition.

Regards

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Morning Steven,

Understood, we would like to propose English Oaks in this case. Do let us know if the landscape drawings and annotations need to be updated to reflect our communication or the conditions will be worded accordingly.

Thanks in advance.

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Hi Ben

I've received the following comments from our Tree Officer:

'I am happier with the native hedge suggestion but not so much with the red oak. I understand our native oaks are under some threat from various pests and diseases, but we would still favour a native oak over one from North America. Perhaps another native with better longevity should be considered?'

Is this something that your client would consider?

Regards

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Afternoon Steven,

I have heard back from the client and he proposes to remove both the Portugese Laurel and Silver Birch from the landscape proposals and replace these with Red Oak to ensure longevity. The Prunus Laurocerasus (hedge) will also be omitted and substituted with more native species, already submitted within the proposals. Would you kindly pass these proposals onto the tree officer for his/her comment please.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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Dear Ben

I have attached a letter discharging condition 9 of planning permission DM/21/3820.

With regards to the landscaping, I have received the following comments from our Tree Officer:

'I have reviewed the Landscaping Plans for this proposal and was disappointed to see a limited number of native species.

I note the hedge proposal to include *Prunus laurocerasus*, which is fast growing but not native. Would the applicant consider using more of the native species, rather than this selection?

Further, the trees selected are mostly nonnative and the only native tree selected is short lived. Please could you request that the applicant consider changing some of these trees for natives?'

Could I ask for your response to this please.

Regards

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