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Mid Sussex District Council
Oaklands Road
Haywards Heath
West Sussex
RH16 1SS

MG/Let/P2327

Dear Sir/Madam,

Hogs Croft – Arboricultural supporting statement.

We write in support of the above application and respectfully request that this letter be accepted for validation purposes. The information provided below is considered to offer a proportionate assessment of the likely impact of the proposed works on the trees within the site.

The tree in question has a trunk diameter of 0.25m, resulting in an estimated Root Protection Area (RPA) of 7.2m. The proposed works are located approximately 8.2m to the north-east and 5m from the canopy edge. On this basis, it is considered unlikely that the scheme will result in any significant impact upon the root system.

To safeguard the tree throughout construction, the following measures will be implemented:

- All works will comply with BS5837:2012 – Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction
- BS5837-compliant tree protection fencing will be erected prior to commencement and maintained throughout
- Hand tools or air spade techniques will be used should any roots become apparent
- Retaining walls have been designed to minimise root severance using minimal excavation techniques (*we recommend these details be secured via a pre-commencement condition*)
- Construction access will be confined to the existing driveway, with no materials or spoil stored within RPAs

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It is therefore considered that the proposed driveway can be implemented without causing unacceptable harm to the retained trees, subject to the installation and maintenance of appropriate protective fencing and ground protection measures.

We welcome any recommended Arboricultural conditions and remain available should any further information be required.

If you have any further queries or require further information, please contact me on [REDACTED]

