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To: Deborah Lynn
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Subject: DM/20/4297 - Proposed 2 Storey Side Extension - Kilnwood Cottage, Turners Hill Road, Crawley Down

Attention: Ms Deborah Lynn

Dear Madam,

DM/20/4297 – Proposed 2 Storey Side Extension

Kilnwood Cottage, Turners Hill Road, Crawley Down

Our property borders the eastern boundary of Kilnwood Cottage and is heavily wooded in that area with a mixture of ancient oaks and Scots Pines. The proposed extension is considerably wider than the present single storey extension which will be demolished, and is also considerably wider than the unimplemented permission granted to the previous owners in 2010 under application DM/10/03233/FUL. The two storey eastern wall of the proposed extension will require new foundations to be dug alongside to the property boundary within the root protection zone of an Ancient Oak tree which is inside our property some 3m from the boundary and it is clear that the canopy will have to be cut back to the boundary to accommodate the development. This is the first time that we have had the opportunity to comment on the proposed works and we are concerned that they will prejudice the health of the tree and make it unsafe.

None of the drawings submitted with the application show the location of this tree or of any other on- or off-site trees and hedges and both parts of Question 6 in the Application Form appear to have been answered incorrectly.

We ask that the Council's Tree Officer is instructed by you to assess the impact of the proposed development on the adjacent Ancient Oak and reassure us that its long term health will not be affected.

We are prepared to allow access for Councillor Officers by appointment if this assists.

Subject to confirmation that the development complies with the root protection zone for Ancient Oaks and that the health of the tree will not be affected by the development, we do not object in principle to the proposed extension.

Kind Regards,

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Kilnwood, Turners Hill Road, Crawley Down