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For the attention of Mr Luke Binns
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Dear Luke

Re: Land at Rook Street, Lothersdale

Further to your recent communication, I understand that the dwelling has been constructed marginally closer to the off-site Sycamore tree than was originally proposed and you are enquiring as to whether any arboricultural impacts would result from such actions.

My original survey concluded that the tree was in acceptable condition but that due to the proximity of the water course and associated stonework the probability of any impacts upon the expected root protection area of the sycamore would not be anticipated.

Even should the location of the dwelling have moved, I am still of the same opinion.

Regarding the aerial sections of the tree in proximity to the dwelling, the branch work will of course be marginally closer but again, since it is understood that it is not in conflict with the structure, no harm will be caused.

It is possible that should the tree continue to produce reasonable annual growth extensions that such material may require some remedial pruning somewhat sooner than if the dwelling had been slightly further away, but such actions would not be considered harmful or detrimental to the visual amenity currently afforded when viewed from public areas outside the site.

All such issues are not uncommon and can readily occur in any urban environment containing trees. Cyclical pruning could however be readily implemented and if such actions incorporated

directional pruning techniques, repeated operations could be minimised thereby maintaining an acceptable juxtaposition.

Cyclical pruning is a perfectly acceptable techniques and is frequently implemented by both private individuals and local authorities to maintain clearances between trees and structures, bus and vehicle routes, overhead lines and similar.

With the tree believed to be protected by being within a Tree Preservation Order / Conservation Area, notification to and consent from the LPA would be required prior to any tree works being implemented all of which, would avoid inappropriate or undesirable operations.

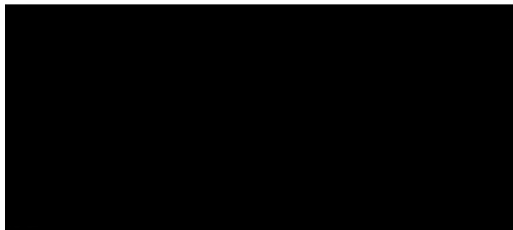
In respect of shade / light attenuation issues, with the tree being to the east of the structure some very minor additional shade may be cast across the dwelling first thing in the morning but for the remainder of the day the expected shadow pattern would fall outwith the site.

Any potential seasonal nuisances will similarly have minimal impacts upon the new location, leaves, seed cases, small twigs and other detritus that could possibly fall from such a tree being capable of being blown for many metres in any direction.

From all such comments and observations, I believe it is reasonable to conclude that in respect of arboricultural issues there will be no material impacts on the off-site tree from the relocation of the dwelling or vice versa.

We trust that this information is of assistance to you and that the matter can now be progressed. Should there be any queries, or if clarification of any points is necessary, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours sincerely



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