HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Richmond Farm Stables, Rye Farm Lane, Barns Green
DESCRIPTION:	Retrospective application for the erection of a lean-to structure for use as a store only, ancillary to the approved mixed use of the site comprising residential and the keeping of dogs
REFERENCE:	DC-22-2058
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice / No Objection

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:

No arboricultural objection.

MAIN COMMENTS:

The conversion of the barn to a dwelling was originally granted permission in 1996. The plans submitted at that time recognised that there was a mature oak tree within less than 1m of the Southern flank elevation. Due to its age and maturity, the size and form of the tree would have dominated the building at that time.

The tree has been historically crown reduced, due to the very close proximity to the dwelling and associated nuisance in terms of light suppression, leaf, seed and twig fall etc.

As a result of the pruning works it has reacted with strong vitality to produce a relatively dense leafy crown that dominates the building being significantly taller than the ridge line.

At such a close juxtaposition to the habitable dwelling, within the semi-rural landscape context, the tree is not considered to be a reasonable imposition or constraint on development of the property.

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

N/A

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DATE:	21/08/24