HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Warren Lodge, Heather Way, Storrington
DESCRIPTION:	Erection of a single storey side extension
REFERENCE:	DC-24-1046
RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:

The extension has been designed with the constraints posed by the adjacent mature Copper beech tree in mind. No arboricultural concerns subject to the implementation of tree protection measures in accordance with the submitted AIA and TPP.

MAIN COMMENTS:

The property has a relatively large mature Copper beech (subject of Tree Preservation Order no. 0682) situated off the SE corner of the dwelling close to the boundary with "The Beeches" property to the South.

The tree is of fair form and condition for species and age and confers a significant positive contribution to the local landscape setting.

The extension is proposed outside of the trees minimum recommended root protection area (RPA), some of which is currently laid to an area of hardstanding adjacent to the house.

An AIA submitted with the application includes a reasonable approach to protecting the remaining soft ground areas within the trees key rooting area from potential harm associated with the development process, utilising a combination of barrier fencing and ground protection measures.

I have discussed the future health of the tree with the owner whom is keen to ensure its rooting environment is afforded an appropriate level of conservation.

If minded to approve I recommend a condition to control the development process.

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

Yes – Standard Condition 3.8 – Tree Protection - amended to include reference to the Arbortech report and TPP.	
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DATE:	07/08/24