HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Brook House, Nuthurst Road, Maplehurst
DESCRIPTION:	Removal of existing side extension. Conversion of existing barn and associated sheds into domestic ancillary use following structural and repair works. Relocation of existing carport and construction of pergola (Householder Application)
REFERENCE:	DC/25/1072
RECOMMENDATION:	

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:

No significant arboricultural concerns

MAIN COMMENTS:

The application is accompanied by an arboricultural report that appears to be a fair assessment of the species, size and position of trees and the constraints they pose on site re-development. The report highlights the areas of construction conflict within minimum recommended root protection areas of retained trees and proposes potential methods of minimising impact on them by undertaking specialist engineering and limited extent of supervised hand excavations.

In this instance, the principal trees that contribute to the landscape character of the area are the mature oak trees. Subject to the implementation of an appropriate arboricultural method statement and associated tree protection measures, these trees will not foreseeably be significantly harmed by the proposed site alterations.

I therefore raise no significant concerns in respect of the proposed developments impact on trees that make a positive contribution to landscape character.

If minded to approve, I recommend a standard condition for compliance with the submitted Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS).

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS: Yes - condition 6.8 – Arboricultural Method Statement – Compliance/Implementation	
NAME:	ANDY CLOUT – ASST. ARBORICULTURAL OFFICER
DEPARTMENT:	STRATEGIC PLANNING - SPECIALISTS
DATE:	20/08/25