# HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

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| **TO:** | Horsham District Council – Planning Dept |
| **LOCATION:** | Architectural Plants Limited Stane Street North Heath West Sussex |
| **DESCRIPTION:** | Approval of details reserved by condition 3 and BNG to approved application DC/24/1000 |
| **REFERENCE:** | DISC/25/0008 |
| **RECOMMENDATION:** | Advice |

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:**

**2nd set of comments**

The reviewed information, which now refers to the 1.5m minimum height the existing hedge must be managed at, is welcomed.

The information remains insufficient to discharge the requirements of condition 3 as no clarity is provided as to what management regime or actions will take place to maintain the proposals for the lifetime of the development and should these ceases, the lack of detail may prove difficult for the enforcement team to action.

Notwithstanding, the nature of the business and association with the BNG requirements gives some comfort that the trees and hedgerow will be looked after and may be protected by other enforcement mechanisms.

The information provided is insufficient to discharge the requirements of condition 3 related to the *landscape management plan, including schedules and specifications for all soft landscape areas, together with a timetable for the lifetime of the panels*.

The landscape comments and recommendation were clear that in order to mitigate residual adverse visual effects, the boundary hedgerow, must be maintained at a minimum heigh of 1.5m.  no information is submitted to this effect.

If this is not something the applicant wants to accept, then additional Fagus sylvatica is requested to be added along the access road, to form a continuous hedgerow, maintained at a minimum height of 1.5m.

Further, guidance on what a Landscape Management and Maintenance plan should comprise can be found in the link below:

https://www.horsham.gov.uk/planning/planning-applications/guidance-for-preparing-a-planning-application/landscape-management-and-maintenance-plan

**MAIN COMMENTS:**

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| **ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:** | |
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| **DATE:** | 21/03/2025<br>29/04/2025 |