HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Southlands, Kent Street, Cowfold
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed land improvement work
REFERENCE:	DC-23-1524
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice / Modification

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:

The works undertaken to date has involved an increase in soil levels within the minimum recommended root protection areas of the larger mature hedgerow trees bounding the field.

The trees are an intrinsic part of the landscape character and are a material consideration in the landscape impacts of development in the countryside.

In order to comply with the minimum recommended safeguards to maintain future tree health, it is recommended that all current and proposed contouring removes the tipped spoil from within 12m of the bounding treeline to leave the trees root protection areas at the original field level, pre-filling.

As the trees are not plotted or measured, it is not clear whether this is achieved by the proposed contouring.

MAIN COMMENTS:

N/A

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

N/A

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DATE:	06/12/23