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The Trees team have been consulted on the above condition discharge for an AMS to deal with the site specifics associated with the re-modelling of landscaping and construction at the above site where in relatively close proximity to trees of landscape significance (Ref: DC/23/1920).

The submitted Arboricultural Method Statement is generic in terms of actual no-dig hard surfacing to be used and has no details of where services are proposed to be routed (e.g. drainage and electric for the garage). Whilst the tree protection measures/positions may be acceptable in principle, the AMS needs to be modified to include details of where and what type of no-dig surfacing is proposed and detail any services connections or other excavations required within the recommended root protection areas of the trees. I recommend that the arboricultural supervision element of the AMS is made specific as to when arboriculturist input is required and includes a pre-start meeting, to include the HDC arboricultural officer, to agree acceptability of on-site protective measures and an appropriate way forward for working near the trees (subject of TPO/1612).

Regards

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