ARBORICULTURAL REPORT

Summary Report for Cumberland Council

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Location: LAND TO THE REAR OF WYNDHAM STREET, CLEATOR MOOR.

Officer: Sarah Papaleo

Date: 20 May 2024

CONSULTANTS REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

Community activity centre refurbishment and extension, and associated parking and landscaping.

DISCUSSION

Following our site visit, we have the following comment/observation to make on the proposed development.

Many early-mature and mature trees are growing within the property boundary and their health could be affected by the proposed development if not adequately protected.

The applicant submitted an Arboricultural Constraints Appraisal (BTC2692) which gives details of the existing trees. This appraisal does not demonstrate how the proposed layout will impact the trees; neither does it illustrate how retained trees should be protected during construction.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Prior to determining this planning application, we recommend asking the applicant to provide the following:

- Submit an Arboricultural Impact Assessment in accordance with the guidance given in the British Standard BS 5837 (2012) – *Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – recommendations*. This should be carried out by a qualified Arboricultural Consultant and include:
 - an assessment of the impacts of the proposed development on the trees.
 - plans illustrating how the proposed layout will interact with the trees both above and below ground level. These should show indicative underground service routes.
 - protection and mitigation measures for construction in proximity to retained trees.

And:

• Submit a Landscaping Plan to include a specification for the proposed plants and trees, along with a maintenance plan for establishing and maintaining the trees and plants for at least five years.