

ARBORICULTURAL REPORT

Summary Report for Cumberland Council

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Reference: 4/23/2106/001

Location: SITE OF FORMER GROVE COURT HOTEL, CLEATOR.

Officer: Sarah Papaleo

Date: 18 September 2023

CONSULTANTS REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

Outline application for proposed residential development with details of proposed access and all other matters reserved.

DISCUSSION

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

The applicant has submitted an updated Arboricultural Survey, Impact Assessment and Tree Protection by Lowther Forestry (Ref. No.F476-13/JL). This includes an assessment of the two trees on the site (T1-Sycamore and T2-Cypress) and allocates them a British Standard (BS 5837:2012) retention category. It shows the calculated tree root protection areas (RPA) for the two trees and shows the car park area for plot 5 encroaches into the calculated RPA for tree T1.

The report recommends pruning the crown of tree T1 and removing tree T2. It also gives details for protecting the RPA for T1 using a robust fence erected around the perimeter of the RPA. The report also recommends installing a cellular confinement system as a sub-base for the proposed car parking area.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend attaching the following condition to any planning permission:

- The applicant should implement in full the recommendations in the Arboricultural Survey, Impact Assessment and Tree Protection (Ref. No.F476-13/JL) prior to and during construction activity on the site. Any alterations or variations to the recommendations must be agreed in writing from the Local Planning Authority.