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Sent: 18 May 2015 10:20
To: Beverley Dawson
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Morning Beverly,

Please find below the response we were waiting for from Alistair at Ascerta regarding the poplar tree adjacent to plot 10. An updated AIA and tree protection plan will be following on later this week.

Regards,

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From: Alistair McLeod [mailto:alistair@landscapetreeseecology.com]
Sent: 18 May 2015 08:52
To: Stuart Andrew
Subject: RE: Former Gateacre Garden Centre, Acrefield Road, Woolton.

Good morning Stuart.

I've had a look at the drawings you have forwarded showing the slightly amended location of plot 10 in relation to the off-site Poplar in the garden of Cherryvale.

The building line of the revised layout I believe is slightly further away from the tree than the earlier layout proposal, which is obviously a benefit. My measurement of the extent of encroachment from the building into the root protection area of the Poplar confirms that it occupies some 10% of the overall root protection area, therefore it falls well within the accepted tolerances as indicated by BS5837: 2012 *Trees in relation to construction – Recommendations*.

Aside from the above, the line of maturing Cypresses along the site boundary will, in my opinion, have acted to a degree in competition with the roots from the Poplar, thus potentially limiting their spread into the site. The extent

of hard surfacing within the garden centre will also have presented a hostile rooting environment. Whilst I would not rule out a rooting presence within that area of the site, I do consider that the normal expectations of a rooting presence can be reduced.

Overall I do not consider that the position and proximity of plot 10 to the Poplar should be a particular cause for concern, provided that appropriate safeguards are implemented during the construction process, as will be outlined in our amended tree report that will follow shortly.

I trust that this is helpful and will forward our revised tree report as soon as possible.

Regards

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