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Hi Stuart

Tree Survey & TPO Objection Information
Haig House, Princes Street, Hawick

As has been discussed previously on several occasions we are unable at
this juncture to provide a
comprehensive survey as requested for the reasons given in our draft TPO
objection justification.

Various consultants have looked at this on our behalf and the inability to
gain access to Haig House and
the stockpiling of materials by SBC prevents confirmed assumptions being
provided.

A draft objection to the TPO is attached herewith and further to our
notification of objection of 25 June
2019 this provides some element of back up until an agreed methodology
might be reached. We have
endeavoured to discuss this with Simon Wilkinson on various occasions
unsuccessfully.

The following are the principle reasons to our TPO objection:-

1. The economic benefit of the proposed development and jobs and
rateable income achievable is
already established.
2. The siting of the proposed B&M store cannot be moved further from
the boundary because of
access requirements for Aldi and parking numbers required.
3. The quality of the Lawson Cypress trees and their lack of screening
and the fact that 4 of these
are already dead.
4. The requirement to remove overhanging branches from the adjoining
property to enable
development.

Our advisors inform us that given the inability to take breast girth measurements from the trees in question and investigate the extent of root encroachment that a full survey cannot be completed. It is therefore hoped that this draft report and our comments will enable you to take a balanced view on the planning application.

It should also be noted that due to Mrs Mackie placing herself in a dangerous situation albeit on her own property our operatives were unable to complete the removal of the dangerous chestnut tree on the Bayhill Farming land.

It would be appreciated if you could confirm that we have absolute authority to so do and we would then require to involve the Police in ensuring that the operation may be carried out safely and we shall seek separate advice as to whether or not we can charge Mrs Mackie for the wasted time by our Arboriculturalist.

Finally given that we have received information from various individuals within SBC we would be grateful if this letter plus attachments can be passed to the appropriate individuals in relation to our aforementioned objection to the proposed TPO.

Yours sincerely

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