

Christopher Brown
Head of Planning at Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council
Via Email

Dear Christopher

Re: Planning Reference 25/00461/FUL - Condition 6: Details of the Project Arboriculturist

Project description: The permitted development for the demolition of the former Cottage Hospital and development of new day case surgery building with associated landscaping and parking at Hinckley And District General Hospital, Mount Road, Hinckley, Leicestershire, LE10 1AE.

The intention of this letter is to fulfil the requirements of planning condition 6, which is as follows below:

'No demolition/development shall commence until details of the Project Arboriculturist have been submitted to, and approved in writing, by the Local Planning Authority. Details shall include their name, company name, telephone number, email address and qualifications.

Thereafter the development shall be carried out in accordance with Section 4 and Appendix 7 of the submitted Arboricultural Impact Assessment by Geosphere Environmental dated 25/04/2025 including:

- *Schedule of Arboricultural Supervision*
- *Installation of protective barriers*
- *Supervised excavation in the Root Protection Areas*
- *Requirement for specialist foundations to be designed by an engineer and authorised by the Project Arborist*
- *Replacement planting*

In accordance with the submitted Arboricultural Impact Assessment monthly monitoring by the appointed Project Arborist will occur during construction. Monitoring reports from the Project Arboriculturalist will be submitted to the Local Planning Authority within 5 working days of any request by the Local Planning Authority. Should the Project Arborist change during construction the details of the new arborist shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority within 5 working days of their appointment.

Reason: To ensure that satisfactory tree protection measures are undertaken throughout construction and to ensure a satisfactory form of development in accordance with Policies DM6 and DM10 of the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document (2016).'



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Red Kite confirm that we have been instructed by our Client, Darwin Group to be the Project Arboriculturist at Hinckley And District General Hospital for the Day Case Unit project. This will be undertaken by our Arboricultural Consultant Sam Rickards and his details are as follows:

- Project Arboriculturist: Sam Rickards
- Company Name: Red Kite Network
- Telephone number: 01952 58211
- Email address: sam@redkitenetwork.co.uk or the main Red Kite mailbox info@redkitenetwork.co.uk
- Qualifications and Experience:
 - Arboricultural Associations Tech Cert (Arb) and PTI tree inspection qualification.
 - Sam has 25 years of industry experience within Arboriculture including contracting, tree surveying and consultancy. He has undertaken contracting services for private clients, Councils, Ironbridge Gorge Museums, and The National Trust amongst others, and tree condition surveying services for a number of clients including Forestry England and Severn Gorge Countryside Trust.
 - Sam has provided arboricultural input both as a consultant and employee of Red Kite over the last 10 years. This has included tree surveys carried out in compliance with BS 5837, onsite arboricultural monitoring, undertaking a watching-brief and providing advice whilst contractors work within existing tree RPAs, and report writing.

Yours sincerely,

K. Lewis

Katie Lewis
Principal Landscape Architect

For and on behalf of Red Kite Network Limited

