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Mrs D Walsh
By email

Dear Mrs Walsh

Discharge of Condition – Landscaping 09/00598/FUL

Further to my email of 6th January 2010, I now provide the following information.

On looking at the landscaping scheme, more native tree species should be incorporated especially along the field boundary. Both Alnus glutinosa and Prunus avium are fine as they are both native species. However, Castanea sativa (Spanish Chestnut is not native nor Malus domestica (which originates from central Asia). If you wish to use a native crab apple there is Malus sylvestris. Pyrus communis is of Central European origin. These could be substitued with the following Quercus robur (English Oak), Fagus sylvativca (Common Beech), Acer campestre (Field Maple), Salix fragilis (Crack Willow).

The 3 cupressus to be planted in between the proposed agricultural store and cattery are of North American origin. If there is the appropriate space these could be substituted with Pinus sylvestris (Scots Pine). However, this can grow to heights of 25 metres on maturity. These will screen the agricultural store.

Even though the shrubs are not native they would be appropriate around the cattery. I would also look to incorporate Lavendula angustifolia (Common Lavendar) as well as the rosemary. These would assist in masking the smell from the cattery with their own aromatic foliage.

Please supply a revised planting schedule for consideration as soon as possible as the planting needs to be completed before the end of March. The point with regard to the 'existing lawn' in my previous email needs to be addressed.

I note that Conditions 4, 5 and 7 attached to planning permission 09/00598/FUL have not been complied with and the matter has been passed to our legal services to consider further action being taken to secure compliance. I would ask you to urge your client to deal with these matters as a matter of urgency.

Yours Sincerely,

Louise Forman
Area Planning Officer

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