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11th February 2020

Dear Chris

DISCHARGE OF PLANNING CONDITIONS – PLANNING REFERENCE: SMD/2019/0262
ERECTION OF DETACHED TWO STOREY DWELLING – LAND AT ORCHARD COURT, LEEK

I refer to the above planning application, and in particular to the requirements of condition 6 on the approval notice. This application seeks to address the requirements of condition 6 as discussed below.

Condition 6 – Landscaping Maintenance
The approved landscaping scheme for this site (condition 5 refers) shows the proposed planting of dwarf conifers to the site frontage, along with a beech hedge.

The dwarf conifers are to be planted at 500mm – 1000m centres behind the new front wall as shown on the proposed plans. They are to be sourced from a local garden centre and thus will have already been pre-grown before planting. They will be planted during the September – October planting season, or within the March – May planting season depending upon the stage of construction. They will be planted with a 50/50 mix of compost and topsoil. Mulch will then be applied to prevent build up of weeds and to aid moisture retention. Regular watering will be undertaken until established.

The proposed beech hedge will be planted in a double staggered row at density of 5 plants per square metre. Planting will be undertaken between October – February depending upon the stage of construction. Spiral guards will be applied to safeguard from rabbits. Mulch will then be applied to prevent built up of weeds, with regular watering undertaken until hedgerow is established.

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I trust these details will meet with your approval, and given the delays that have already ensued with this particular project, your earliest attention to the matter would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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