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An arboricultural report accompanies the application.

The proposed new garage and extension spur to the existing drive are located outside the Root Protection Areas of all trees. The only tree close enough to look at closely in relation to the proposed development is a mature Silver Birch denoted T18 in the arb report and assessed as retention Category B. Whilst the garage and part of the drive extension spur would cut into the steep bank adjacent to the northern-most corner of the dwelling as existing, the area towards and around T18 is relatively flat and relatively level; therefore running the drive close to (but outside) the RPA of T18 would not require significant ground level changes which would have a knock-on effect inside the RPA.

I have no objection to this application, but would request that the following condition be imposed in the event that planning permission is granted:

1. The first action on commencement of development, prior to any further action (including any site clearance, site stripping or site establishment) shall be the erection of temporary tree protection barriers and advisory notices for the protection of the existing trees to be retained, in accordance with guidance in British Standard 5837:2012 *Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction – Recommendations*, and as set out in the Tree Heritage Ltd arboricultural report reference THL-R23-70 dated 12th October 2023 submitted in support of the application hereby approved, and these barriers and notices shall be retained in position for the duration of the period that development takes place, unless otherwise agreed by the LPA. Within the fenced areas there shall be no excavation, changes in ground levels, installation of underground services, provision of hard surfacing, passage of vehicles, storage of materials, equipment or site huts, tipping of chemicals, waste or cement, or lighting of fires unless otherwise agreed by the LPA.

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