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Chris

This DOC application has submitted a detailed Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS) incorporating a Tree Protection Plan (TPP) and details of cellular confinement system for drive construction within tree Root Protection Areas, in relation to the proposed construction of a further dwelling ("Plot 9") at Deebank Heights and alterations/extensions to the existing dwelling at The Orchard ("Plot 8"), as required under Condition 4 of planning permission SMD/2023/0132 approved on appeal.

The initial AMS and TPP have been revised to the version now submitted following my site meeting and discussion with the applicant on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

The submitted details as set out in the Tree Heritage Ltd Arboricultural Method Statement reference THL-AMS25-2b dated 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025 (including its Tree Protection Plan, Drawing No. THL-0986-10) are appropriate and acceptable, and Condition 4 can be discharged.

Condition 4 already includes requirement for the AMS and TPP to be implemented once approved, so no further condition or obligation is required in this respect.

(Incidentally, it is good to note that in the few relevant instances, tree protection measures are also appropriately referred to in the Construction Method Statement also submitted under this DOC application in relation to Condition 3 of the planning permission).

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