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## **Proposed Detached Workshop Storage Building – The Royds, Chatburn Clitheroe.**

### **Arboricultural Impact Assessment.**

28<sup>th</sup> July 2023

#### Introduction.

We have been advised that RBVC have responded to the above application (3/2023/0474) advising that there are mature trees on site directly adjacent to the proposed building and as such, an Arboricultural Impact Assessment is required to be submitted.

An inspection was therefore undertaken on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 to obtain all necessary information.

#### Statutory Protection.

We have been advised that there are no Tree Preservation Orders on trees within reasonable proximity of the site and that the land is not included within any Conservation Area.

Furthermore, by being within a residential curtilage / garden area, felling licence requirements do not apply.

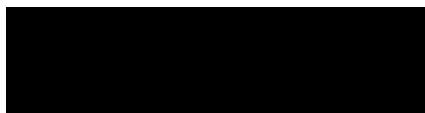
#### Proposals.

The submitted plans indicate that the proposed workshop is to be constructed to the far end of The Royds (south) on an area of land currently utilised as a ménage.

It is understood that it will be a classic portal framed construction with a concrete block lower perimeter wall with Yorkshire board panelling above.

The roof will be fibre cement reinforced profile sheets.

High Bank Farm, Stoney Bank Road, Earby, Barnoldswick, Lancashire, BB18 6LD



### Site Description.

To the south of the building footprint under consideration are open fields, to the west existing stables and to the east, the ménage. No trees are present in any of these areas.

To the north of the site is the existing concrete access track providing vehicular access to the stables to the far east of the site.

To the north of this track and within the edge of the lawn there were noted two beech stumps and it is understood that these were originally heavily topped / repeatedly pollarded features that may have been remnants of an old hedgerow.

Further across the lawn to the approximate north and some 8m from the track there was noted an old Damson or similar Prunus species.

No other significant vegetation was noted.

### Potential Impacts.

The only tree within reasonable proximity of the building footprint is the Damson within the formal lawn and at a distance where no impacts would be expected. Furthermore, by being within the lawn no vehicular movements would be considered necessary or desirable as they would be likely to become bogged down on the soft surface.

As such it would be expected that all vehicle movements would be restricted to the formal concrete / hard surfaced tracks around the site or within the ménage itself and there would be no impacts on any trees.

It is also reasonable to note that due to the usage of the stables and existing buildings there are regular movements of tractors and other vehicles associated with the requirements of the horses all of which can successfully negotiate the existing access routes.

Due to all such factors it is not considered that any tree material requires either ground or aerial protection.

### Conclusions.

From the foregoing comments and recorded observations, it is evident that there are no trees within proximity of the proposed construction that would be impacted by the necessary works.

There are therefore no requirements for either tree or ground protection.

As such it can reasonably be concluded that there are no arboricultural reasons why the proposed construction should not proceed.

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