

**Consultation Response from Trees Planning,
KC Trees**
2019/90634 adj, Netherfield House, 12, Riley Lane, Kirkburton, Huddersfield, HD8 0RY
Erection of detached dwelling with associated landscaping, incorporating existing garage and private driveway
Date Responded: 13/03/20
Responding Officer: JR
Responding Ref: TPO 07/89

The amended design now shows the retention of T8, a large mature Oak, which is welcome.

However, the proposal still appears to bring development works within the root protection area (RPA) of this tree. The design does not appear to have taken account to the RPA shown in the tree survey which supports the application.

The tree data from the tree survey needs to be transposed on to a layout plan, to include the RPA, as shown. This will aid any necessary design amendments to ensure that there are no development/construction activities within the RPA. It will also help the application demonstrate that there will be no adverse impact on protected trees.

The proposal will then also need to be supported by an arboricultural method statement, in accordance with Bs 5837. To show what protection measure and working practises are proposed to ensure there are no adverse effects on the tree. As is standard practice with developments in close proximity to protected trees. The above overlaid plan would ordinarily form part of the tree protection plan associated with an arboricultural method statement.

Please note an arboricultural method statement, in accordance with Bs 5837, is set out as a requirement in our guidance note for supporting information:

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/planning-application-guidance-trees.aspx>

With out the above supporting information and amendments, the application does not comply with BS 5837, as per the pervious comments made, and the application still does not meet local plan policies:

LP 33:

"The Council will not grant planning permission for developments which directly or indirectly threaten trees or woodlands of significant amenity value.

Proposals should normally retain any valuable or important trees where they make a contribution to public amenity, the distinctiveness of a specific location or contribute to the environment, including the wildlife Habitat Network and green Infrastructure networks

Proposals will need to comply with relevant national standards regarding the protection of trees in relation to design, demolition and construction. Where tree loss is deemed to be acceptable, developers will be required to submit a detailed mitigation scheme"

LP 24:

"Proposals should promote good design by ensuring:- i) the retention of valuable or important trees and where appropriate the planting of new tress and other landscaping to maximise amenity and environmental benefits

