

**Consultation Response from KC,
Trees****2023/90772 Land at, Penistone Road, Fenay Bridge, Huddersfield, HD8 0AW****Discharge conditions 3 (CEMP), 7 (waste collection), 14 (soft landscape), 17 (boundary treatment), 25 (tree/shrub planting) on previous permission 2020/90725 for erection of 68 dwellings with associated access, parking and open space (revised plans)****Date Responded: 17/04/23****Responding Officer: Nick Goddard****Responding Ref: 03a/03**

The proposed planting and soft landscaping is acceptable with regards to condition 14 and 25. The detailed plans show provision of a range of suitable species and will enhance the approved development scheme if maintained to maturity.

With regards to condition 17, boundary treatments, I have concerns about the inclusion of a retaining wall at the rear of Plot 36, 37 & 38. The plans show this as retaining wall to engineer's details however at the rear of these plots is a significant Oak tree, and the ground level around the tree should not be altered by the installation of a retaining wall. This issue was raised in my comments prior to the approval of the scheme.

No details of the retaining height have been provided and I am concerned the retaining wall proposed would result in significant root loss for this tree. I would like to see details or have an explanation as to why a retaining structure must be in place at the above plots. If it is necessary as shown, then details of its construction need to be provided along with how the roots of the tree will be protected.