## **Kerrie Charles**

From: Miriam Hill

**Sent**: 18 September 2017 13:24

To: Kerrie Charles

Subject: 6/2017/1476/HOUSE - 31 Selwyn Crescent, Hatfield, AL10 9NL

Proposal: Erection of first floor front, side and rear extensions

Comments: I have some concerns with the application and the existing trees both on and adjacent to site. Although the trees do not have a high amenity value, one or more of the trees do not stand within the application site. There is no indication that the application has considered these trees through an Arboricultural Implication Report. It is also possible that a neighbouring tree will immediately physically encroach onto the proposed extension, this conflict does not appear to be considered.

Should the application be approved a condition should be placed on the approval for the applicant to submit a Tree Protection Statement for the tree(s) either on, adjacent or on the roadside. It should cover how the applicant will ensure the tree parts, both above or below ground, will not be directly or indirectly damaged. The scale of the document should reflect the importance of the trees in the landscape and the size of the building works. The statement should reflect BS5837:2012 (Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations). For example, to avoid root damage by soil compaction, all site vehicles shall not park or drive on the verges. This Statement shall be submitted to the Council for approval before any works, including demolition, start on site.

Regards,

Miriam Hill Tree Officer