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Dear Sir,

**London Borough of Havering (20025659) – Response to Outline Arboricultural Method Statement (REP5-040)**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Outline Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS) submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 5. LB Havering has reviewed the document and would like to offer the following comments.

LB Havering welcomes the information provided in the outline AMS with regards the loss of Veteran trees (irreplaceable habitats). LB Havering notes that the tree protection measures for the detailed design and construction will be included within the relevant Work Packages and part of pre-commencement Task Briefing Sheets.

LB Havering notes that the key areas include (but are not limited to) land adjacent to TPO trees, land surrounding all veteran trees, trees surrounding Weald Brook, The Grove and Alder Wood.

LB Havering looks forward to consultation on the final AMS and to the appointment of an Ecological Clerk of Works (ECoW) by the Principal Contractor. This will provide an essential opportunity for Havering to ensure that tree protection measures are appropriate and protect trees considered to be at risk.

LB Havering welcomes the clarification in Paragraph 2.2.2 for a suitably qualified Arboriculturalist to be appointed by the Principal Contractor. It is noted and welcome that the ECoW will be involved in the detailed design and construction stages of the Scheme and will agree any tree works commencing on the site with the supervising Arboriculturalist.

LB Havering is now satisfied that Paragraph 5.1.2 refers to a commitment to check for bats and bat roosting features prior to tree removal e.g. for management or safety requirements.

LB Havering welcomes that Paragraph 6.2.2 includes details for two broad leaf trees retained within the scheme limits to be “veteranized” to promote deadwood habitat. This

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relates to compensation for losses of veteran trees within the site boundary in addition to planting of 16 trees to be managed to develop veteran features.

LB Havering looks forward to reviewing details provided in the final AMS on how the arisings from the veteran trees T021A and T074 are to be used.

Yours faithfully,



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