

Case Reference: 23/00572/F

Location: Redhill Railway Station Princess Way Redhill

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The proposed plan is accompanied with two Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA), and tree survey, and a Tree Protection Plan (TPP) (for the south section). Following the British Standard BS 5837: 2012, Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations.

The trees are protected by a Tree Protection Order (TPO), and the trees are not located in a Conservation Area, except T4 and G10 in the south section which are located in Redstone Hill Conservation Area.

To facilitate the develop, all the trees in the north section are proposed to be removed, which are T1-T10 and two group trees G1 and G2. Having BS 5837 Quality Categorisation of B or C category.

In the south section, two trees T1 and T2 and eight groups (G1-G7 and G8 part) are proposed to be removed Having BS 5837 Quality Categorisation of B, C or U category.

In addition of pruning works proposed in T3, T4, G9 and G10.

Although a big percentage of all of those trees have low amenity value, being classified as C category, the high number of trees proposed to be removed, including big group of trees as for example the embankment (group G1 and G2) in the north section, will be reduce considerable the amenity value.

Although there is vegetation proposed in the root terrace, and a tree planting proposed (although it is not mentioned the exact number and dimension of trees to be planted) to compensate the loss of all those trees, extracted from their landscape draws and AIA. The reality is that the limited space that there will be after the redevelopment could not be allowed to replace of all those large number of trees removed, and neither allow to replace with tall trees. Compromising and reducing the tree population and wildlife of the area.

In light of the above, I do have objections to the development, I have arboricultural concerns to the proposed plan, a high number of trees are proposed to be remove. Being unlike that could be compensate all of those trees with replacements, reducing considerably the tree population of this site.

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