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Dear [redacted]

Re: Tree Preservation Order (7) 2017 on Land adjoining Harris Brush Works and Saxon Business Park.

Firstly my apologies for the delay in sending this response to the concerns you highlighted in your letter dated 25th July 2017. I appreciate your concerns and agree that woodlands ideally need proactive management to ensure that the quality and longevity of the woodland is maintained and assured. Therefore I would look favourably on a Woodland Management Plan being developed for woodland blocks W4 & W5 of this order which you have highlighted are within your ownership. We would wish to work closely with any owner of protected woodlands to achieve such an aim and would therefore not anticipate the tree preservation order on the site unduly preventing this although the Council consent would need to be gained before any work can be undertaken on the sites. We would also look to work closely with the Forestry Commission in supporting a level of work that they feel is required in the best interest of the woodlands management should you approach them for consent to do so.

I fully agree that there is no public access to the woodland blocks W4 & W5 but both woodland blocks are highly visible from the Hanbury Road. Therefore they offer a high degree of visual amenity value to passers-by using this road as well as those using the public footpath to the Northern boundary of block W4. Therefore they I feel they are worthy of being included within this order.

I hope this has allayed your concerns regarding the issues you raised regarding the tree preservation order being raised.

Yours sincerely

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Senior Tree Officer