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Berkeley Homes (West London) Ltd FAO Mr P Wenzel Latchmere House Latchmere Close Richmond TW10 5HH

Dear Paul,

LATCHMERE HOUSE, RICHMOND Planning Ref: 16/0523/DD09

I refer to comments received by e-mail from Mr K Patel, Planner (London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames) and subsequent structural report by GvB Engineering [1828_01 Rev D] ('the engineers report') in response to installation of the temporary road.

The engineers report confirms the road build up and design and that the temporary road will be limited to one vehicle at a time supervised by a dedicated traffic marshal. Use is generally for telehandler type vehicles. The road use is therefore characterised as minimal.

The temporary road design incorporates a proprietary three dimensional cellular confinement system 'Techcell 150' by TCS Geotechnics. This product is designed for use within a 'no dig' construction over tree roots in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines and therefore similar to that of proprietary products suggested within the Tree Protection and Arboricultural Method Statement – Construction [tf913s1/TPP/302 revF] ('AMS').

The build-up and design, as illustrated, within the engineers report Appendix B confirms that the 'Techcell' will be laid on the existing ground with 76mm of fill above. The final surface will be of porous asphalt and therefore the road design minimises compaction and will maintains soil volume moisture content and gaseous exchange to the soil environment.

Whilst the proposed temporary road results in an encroachment of 21% within the RPA of Lebanon Cedar (T99), the road is a temporary installation and there is no other incursion within its RPA. The encroachment is therefore considered marginal and would not have an adverse impact on the trees health.

Provision is made within the AMS for monitoring of the temporary road and re-instatement of the ground following removal.

The road build-up and design therefore accords with guidance and recommendations within BS 5837 (2012) Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction and the submitted Tree Protection and Arboricultural Method Statement – Construction [tf913s1/TPP/302 revF].

I trust that the above addresses the concerns raised and if you have any queries or wish to discuss please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Richardson

For and on behalf of tree:fabrik Limited