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**CITY OF SUNDERLAND TREE PRESERVATION (NO172) ORDER 2018 LAND BETWEEN 20  
WOODSIDE GROVE AND 1 CRANBOURNE, EAST HERRINGTON, SUNDERLAND**

I am writing in respect of the above, as we are an interested party.

As it stands we are in the process of purchasing the land from Gentoo.

This process has been ongoing for the past 12 months and we have spent a considerable amount of time and money preparing a scheme for development.

We have recently spoken with Jillian Wright (Planning officer) in respect of a pre discussion for the scheme and to check the status of any Tree Preservation Orders on said trees.

Jillian confirmed at this point that there were no orders on the trees stated.

During a recent site visit to conduct a general survey of the land, we were approached by a disgruntled resident of whose property abuts the site.

The resident made it very clear that he was not happy about any development and stated that he would do everything in his power to stop any development going ahead.

Since this incident we have been advised that Tree Preservation Orders were placed upon the trees. It is clear that this has been instigated by the resident.

It is apparent that the residents are using this as an instrument to avoid any further development on this land.

From a developers perspective, If the Orders were to remain in place, the site would be rendered useless for potential development and due to this we would request that the orders be removed.

Our proposed development would provide affordable family homes in an existing residential area where there is currently a shortage of this type of housing.

This is in line with the current council policy.

As a part of our proposed scheme, if required, we are happy to plant replacement trees in a more appropriate position.

We trust you can understand our current position with this matter and look forward to hearing from you.

Please find enclosed a copy of the proposed site plan with the current position of the trees marked with an X.

If you require any further information, please contact me.

Beverley Steele

Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B Steele'.

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General Notes		
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