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Dear Sirs,

**Application RR/2019/2723/P.
Erection of 2 no. 3 Bedroom Residential Dwellings.
Land at the rear of Further Down, Main Road, Westfield.**

Thank you for your email dated 2 February 2021, the contents of which have been discussed with the applicant.

We have looked again at the sightline to the south of the entrance to Further Down. We submit an amended design proposal to raise the level of the property entrance road, where it meets the public highway, by 300 mm – as shown on drawing no. **6375/3/A.**

No works will be undertaken to the bank that would undermine the viability, long-term health and stability of the trees on the frontage of Further Down. It is acknowledged that four trees on the frontage have the greatest public amenity-value - two evergreen oaks and two horse-chestnuts - and will be retained for the future subject to the Tree Preservation Order.

For the above reasons, no further digging has been undertaken along the bank and contrary to our previous proposal no further digging will be undertaken in the future. As a result, no tree survey from an arboriculturist consultant has been commissioned nor is considered necessary.

What has been removed is one tree that was close to the road frontage and on the sightline. Also, the metal meshed wire fencing plus other obstacles have been removed.

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We consider that the sightline is achievable. To enhance the sightline at the entrance from the public highway, the applicant's driveway is to be upgraded – as detailed in the original Design and Access Statement. As part of the upgrading the level of the road surface will be raised 300 mm above the existing track level over the area shaded red on drawing no. **6375/3/A**.

The sight line to the south for the drivers of vehicles leaving the property will be as shown on the "Street View" on drawing **6375/3/A**. These measurements and levels were taken by Pumhouse Designs and show a clear view above the roadside bank.

I trust that you can discuss this drawing with the proposal shown with the Highways Authority. We consider the sightlines to be achievable and request that you determine this application with this new proposal put forward, which if considered acceptable can be controlled by condition.

Yours sincerely
David Hall.