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Gary Claydon-Bone,
Trees Team,
Southampton City Council,
Civic Centre,
Southampton, SO14 7LY

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Neighbourhood Services

28th February 2017.

Dear Mr. Claydon-Bone,

Proposed Tree Preservation Order – Holy Saviour Churchyard, Bitterne

I write as the Priest in Charge of Holy Saviour Church, Bitterne and on behalf of the Parochial Church Council of Holy Saviour Church, Bitterne, as its Chair.

Thankyou for your recent e-mail of 16th February.

We received the modified Tree Preservation Order from Southampton City Council on 16th January 2017, relating to Holy Saviour Churchyard.

As you know there was a Pre-App site visit on 2nd February 2017 involving the Senior Planning Officer, yourself & others with our Architect giving our Architect the opportunity to explain our plans to redevelop the whole site.

As you will therefore be aware from this meeting, the proposed redevelopment includes plans to extend the Church Room (attached to Holy Saviour Church) to the footpath edge including a new first floor, which would necessitate the removal of the trees marked T13 (Irish Yew) and T14 (Oak). Adjusting our design of the extension to the Church Room to accommodate the retention of the oak would severely compromise the floor area of the 1st floor of the extended Church Room, so as to make the scheme unviable.

Following a meeting of the Standing & Finance Committee of the Parochial Church Council of Holy Saviour Church, Bitterne on 27th February, we therefore write to formally object to the inclusion of the trees marked T13 and T14 in the modified Tree Preservation Order, due to our proposed plans to extend the Church Room attached to Holy Saviour Church.

Yours sincerely,

Rev. A.M.M.Parker