SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE 23rd May 2017

Agenda item 15

Application ref. 17/00315/DEEM3

Land at Lower Street, Newcastle

The **Landscape Development Section** has concerns about the impact of the hoardings on retained adjacent trees. The position of the hoardings appears to be within the canopy of these trees, which form a part of the visually prominent tree avenue along Lower Street. Pruning (and the repeated pruning of trees which would be required as they mature) to accommodate the hoarding would not be supported. The installation of the proposed steps, concrete hardstanding and footings may also impact upon the RPA (Root Protection Area) of these trees. In addition there are concerns about the visual impact of the rear of the hoardings which will be clearly visible from the public footpaths and from the adjacent supermarket.

The applicant has not had the opportunity to comment upon the response of LDS and in light of this it is now recommended that the decision on this application is **DEFERRED** to provide this opportunity.