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Arboricultural Implications Report
Proposed development at
Rickman's Green Village Phase 1
Rickman's Lane
Plaistow

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SUMMARY

S1. On the basis of our assessment, we conclude that the arboricultural impact of this scheme is of low magnitude, as defined according to the categories set out in **Table 1** of this report.

S2. There are no incursions into the adjacent ancient woodland, or into the associated 15m buffer zone; and consequently, the proposals will not result in any loss of ancient woodland, will avoid any potentially harmful effects on the woodland, and will comply with current UK Planning and development guidance.

S3. Our assessment of the impacts of the proposals on the existing trees concludes that no veteran or ancient trees, no protected trees, and no trees of high landscape or biodiversity value are to be removed. The proposed removal of four individual trees (equating to 5% of the surveyed trees), one hedgerow, and two small sections of a retained hedgerow will represent a partial alteration to the main arboricultural features of the site and only a minor alteration to the overall arboricultural character of the site. The site wide landscaping plans incorporate extensive tree planting that will result in a significant increase in tree numbers and readily mitigate the loss of trees. As such, the proposals will not have a significant adverse impact on the arboricultural character and appearance of the local landscape.

S4. As no trees are to be pruned, and none of the proposed dwellings will be within 6m of the extents of the canopies of trees to be retained, there will be adequate working space for construction close to trees, and a reasonable margin of clearance for future growth.

S5. The incursions into the Root Protection Areas of trees to be retained are likely to be within tolerable limits, and subject to implementation of the measures recommended on the Tree Protection Plan and set out at **Appendix 1**, no significant or long-term damage to their root systems or rooting environments will occur.

S6. As none of the proposed dwellings, apartments, private gardens or amenity spaces lie within the shadow patterns of any retained trees, they will not be shaded by retained trees to the extent that this will interfere with their reasonable use or

enjoyment by incoming occupiers; which might otherwise lead to pressure to permit felling or severe pruning that the LPA could not reasonably resist.