Annexure 8

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To: Matthew Brajkovich Date: 4.07.22

Subject: Review of tree relocation at 1 Molesworth Street SR514663

Thank you for sending through the information (information reviewed attached as Appendix 1). My initial comments after reviewing the assessments and the site would be as follows:

- 1. The Arborlab assessment is comprehensive. Given the previous works in preparing the rootball and the contained site in which the tree stands, moving the tree is feasible.
- 2. The new location would subject the tree to different environmental conditions. However, the report provides options that can be implemented to mitigate those effects should they be needed.
- 3. Therefore, no further information is required for the feasibility of the tree's relocation.

Additional note

Transplanting mature trees can lead to variability in terms of success. However, the theory provided is sound as set out in the assessment. Therefore, it will all come down to the transplanting and the aftercare programme. To ensure the greatest chance of success, the contractor engaged to carry out the works and aftercare must demonstrate a proven record of successfully transplanting and establishing large mature trees. I think this could easily be addressed in a condition, which could be to note that it must be included within the tender documentation for the works.

As the transplanting methodology and aftercare programme would need to be submitted before any works. Each contractor will likely have different methods than what is outlined in the Arborlab report, so the report would be best seen as a guide and not the exact process.

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For any further information don't hesitate to get in touch.

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APPENDIX 1 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PLANS REVIEWED	DATED
Assessment of Environmental effects Report Parliamentary Precinct 1 Molesworth Street, Wellington.	May 2022
Arborlab Arboricultural Report. Application to relocate the Museum St Oak Tree (Job Ref 35419).	November 2021

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