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Dear Sir/Madam,

**DETERMINATION ON APPROVAL OF DETAILS REQUIRED BY A CONDITION**

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| <b>Application No:</b> | <b>23/00541/DOC</b>                                                                                             |
| <b>Application</b>     | <b>Approval of detail reserved by condition</b>                                                                 |
| <b>Type:</b>           |                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Proposal:</b>       | <b>Submission of details to comply with condition 10 (invasive species) on planning permission 21/01146/FUL</b> |
| <b>Location:</b>       | <b>Former Axo Nobel Site, Off Hollingworth Road, Littleborough.</b>                                             |

Your application for approval of details reserved by condition(s) has been dealt with and the details are set out below:-

**Conditions and Reasons:**

- 10 No development (including any site clearance or preparation works) shall take place until a method statement for removal/control of any invasive plant species, including Japanese Knotweed, within the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The method statement shall include measures to prevent the spread of invasive species during any operations (e.g. strimming, soil movement or land remodelling works) and to ensure that any soils brought to the site are free of the seeds, root or stem of any invasive plant, and a timetable for its implementation and shall include a Method Statement, to include as a minimum:
- o Detailed mapping of the distribution of the plant across the site.
  - o Suitable signage and protection from vehicle tracking and/or earth moving. This is usually 7m from above growing parts of the plant
  - o Treatment programme
  - o Biosecurity protocols for machinery and soil handling & storage
  - o Monitoring and retreatment programme for minimum of 5 years post site clearance

The development shall thereafter be carried out in strict accordance with the details and timescale contained within the duly approved method statement.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory treatment and disposal of invasive plant species which, under the terms of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) it is an offence to be caused to be spread, and in accordance with the provisions of Policy G7 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework.

Reason for pre-commencement: to ensure that risks associated with invasive plant species are properly managed throughout all stages of the development.

**Decision: The following report is considered to be acceptable:**

- **Update ecology assessment at Former Akzo Nobel Site, Hollingworth Road, Littleborough; Dated: 04/05/2023; and by Dermot McKee (Envance Ltd).**

Yours faithfully,

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