

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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**Discharge of Conditions P/20/0232 Land adjacent to 22 Pant Road,
Dowlais (Application Ref: P/18/0395)**

With regard to the submitted details that outline the survey, methodology for treatment and/or eradication of Japanese Knotweed affecting the above, proposed development please find the following observations.

The submitted document is a professionally produced report regarding the presence of Japanese Knotweed (*Reynoutria japonica*) within the boundary of the proposed development site. The report outlines two methods by which this invasive species may be treated and subsequently eradicated.

The first method involves the total excavation and transportation (by licensed carrier) to a licensed landfill site. The authors of the report would in these circumstances oversee the procedure and ensure that that the works are appropriately implemented in accordance with the written specification.

The second method, requires a number of repeated treatments over a longer period to ensure that this invasive species is eradicated.

Given the degree of presence on the site and the location in respect of the RICS guidance in proximity to the proposed built development, either option is necessary and viable; although the former, involving complete removal would allow a vastly quicker start date.

Therefore, it is imperative that the applicant elects which method is to be utilised in order that the LPA may satisfy itself that sufficient progress has been made to enable development to commence.

Kind regards

Tom Bramley – Landscape Architect