Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association

January 29, 2020

Ms. Liz Gudavicius Approving Officer District of Saanich

## **RE: SUB00836**

Dear Liz,

Sorry to be late responding re the above proposed subdivision. We had difficulty connecting with the applicants, Mr. and Mrs. Derek Walsh. As we hadn't heard from them, I emailed your office to get contact information on December 23 and left a message that day. Mr. Walsh returned my call on December 30. I explained QCHCA's desire to meet with him and to cohost a neighbour meeting so we could learn more about his proposal, hear any concerns the neighbours might raise and discussion on what might be done to allay them.

I explained that QCHCA, the Community Association within whose boundaries his lot lies, is asked by Saanich Planning to comment on the proposal and that we use neighbourhood comments in formulating our response. He said he doesn't feel able to host a neighbours meeting as he works seven days a week but will meet individually with neighbours behind, across from and beside his home and beyond the required 90 meters.

I said that people often raise concerns about trees, access/egress safety, and protection of privacy. He said he has hired an architect that has helped him site the proposed new home without losing any protected trees. He is very pleased about that. We also note solar panels on the roof.

I restated that we use neighbour input/feedback as a significant part of our response to Planning and gave him my phone number and email so he can keep me informed. Since then, I left two messages but we didn't connect until today. Mr. Walsh advises that he has now heard back from your office and he will bring me/us up to date with your comments.

We are trying to make contact with the neighbours and will provide further comment if/when we are successful. Thanks. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Haddon President, QCHCA