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George Spurgeon
Durham County Council Planning Development
County Hall
Durham DH1 5UL

Dear Mr Spurgeon,

## DM/23/03233/FPA St Cuthberts Hospice Park House Road Durham DH1 3QF

To extend car park

The Trust understands the need for this car park extension and values the Hospice as a community resource.

It has concerns about the tree removal weakening the landscape setting of the Hospice. It suggests that replacement trees, suitably positioned, will help to sustain the pleasant green setting.

It also is concerned that the new car park may generate the need for additional lighting. If so, this should minimise glare and impact on both setting and neighbouring residents. Sensitive lighting could both increase light levels for car park users and also complement the landscape setting. Similarly, should the existing lighting need replacing, this would also benefit from being glare free.

Yours sincerely

JOHN LOWE Chair, City of Durham Trust