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Dear Mr Fenwick,

DM/25/02054/TCA Land To The Rear Of 63 Crossgate Durham DH1 4PR

Felling and removal of 1no Horse Chestnut (T1), 1no Rowan (T11), 12no Sycamore (T2, T3, T4, T5, T6, T7, T8, T9, T10, T12, T13, T14) plus Holly, Sycamore and Elder (G1)

The Trust objects to the felling of these trees.

It considers that while the planning application DM/22/03574/FPA remains undecided the request to clear fell the site is premature. This is especially because some of the trees proposed for felling are shown for retention on the development plans and noted in the submitted biodiversity survey. This felling would be counter to those proposals.

The Trust has already objected to the proposed development on the grounds of inaccuracy and ambiguity. There is insufficient evidence submitted to justify the felling of trees that have amenity value now and in the future. The Dendra Arboricultural report submitted with a previous application (DM/18/03785/FPA) in 2018 is now out of date, it showed trees that could be retained in relation to condition.

Yours sincerely

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