

Emma Rivett

From: Charlotte Jim <parish.clerk@balcombeparishcouncil.com>
Sent: 14 August 2026 12:33
To: Emma Rivett
Subject: RE: DM/26/1743 - Clayhurst, Stockcroft Road, Balcombe

Hi Emma,

Would that have been the reason therefore that we didn't have visibility of the tree application?

Thank you for this information and yes I will share it with the Parish Council.

Kind regards
Charlotte Jim
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From: Emma Rivett <Emma.Rivett@midsussex.gov.uk>
Sent: 14 August 2026 10:35
To: Charlotte Jim <parish.clerk@balcombeparishcouncil.com>
Subject: RE: DM/26/1743 - Clayhurst, Stockcroft Road, Balcombe

Hi Charlotte,

Many thanks for getting back to me. We authorised the felling of the large tree as it had significant decay fungi at the base and was in poor form. The tree was creaking where it was swaying in the wind and had included bark and a weak union. We accepted a 5-day notice for this one, as it was deemed to be imminently dangerous. Due to the proximity to the road and the path we thought better to fell it to prevent any injury or harm if it failed.

I hope that makes sense and would you please be able to pass that information on to the Councillors?

Kind regards

Emma

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Sent: 14 August 2026 09:53

To: Emma Rivett <Emma.Rivett@midsussex.gov.uk>

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Hello Emma,

I'm not sure if this something the Parish Council wish to place as a formal comment but perhaps something for MSDC to investigate and ask the property owners?

This comment was made by one of my Parish Councillors Nicky Gould: "I attach a couple of photos..... I'm a bit confused, as a couple of weeks ago they felled a huge tree - that doesn't appear to be mentioned on this application.

I see that they have regularly requested the limes to be managed over the years, and various works around the garden. This application mirrors those - but Not the felling of the tree a couple of weeks ago."

The Parish Council over the years as you are aware has raised concerns regarding the Lime Trees constantly being cut back. Other than the tree that doesn't form part of the application the Parish Council does not have any concerns.

Thank you for your call. Unfortunately, the only number I had to call you back on was the MSDC reception, and I didn't get the opportunity to wait yesterday to connect to you.

Thank you for all your help and support over the years. Balcombe Parish Council wishes you all the very best in your future endeavours.

Kind regards

Charlotte Jim

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From: Emma Rivett <Emma.Rivett@midsussex.gov.uk>

Sent: 13 August 2026 13:53

To: Balcombe Parish Clerk <parish.clerk@btconnect.com>

Subject: DM/26/1743 - Clayhurst, Stockcroft Road, Balcombe

Hi Charlotte,,

I have left you a voicemail too, but I wanted to know if the Parish Council wish to comment on the above application. I would be grateful if we could receive any comments by the end of the week, if possible, as it is past the press expiry date. I know the landowner is keen to get on with the work.

Also, I am leaving the council next week, so this may well be our last correspondence. It's been lovely working with you and I wish you all the very best in the future.

Kind regards

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