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**Subject:** DM/25/1434 Land Rear of Chesapeake, Reeds Lane, Sayers Common

Dear Stuart,

I have reviewed the Arboricultural Impact Assessment for this proposal and whilst the loss of 6 oaks is regrettable, I understand that this site is to be allocated and that there are limited options to retain these trees.

I note that 4 no. of category B oaks will be lost, but on reading the description in the survey, the better trees have been selected for retention. Whilst oaks will stand a lot of defects, some of the defects found on these trees would not make them suitable for retention. However, replanting of native species, preferable oaks, would go some way to mitigate the loss of these trees.

I note that some of G1 and G2 will be removed to facilitate the proposal. Would this be replaced with native species, also? Detailed Landscaping Plans could be secured by condition.

I would need to see an Arboricultural Method Statement to ensure that the retained trees will be fully protected, which could also be secured by condition.

Kind regards

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