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Subject: RE: DM/26/1377 - Land at Mill Lane, Sayers Common - Tree Officer response
Date: 31 July 2026 at 13:41:30 BST
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Good afternoon Olivia.

Thank you for your email and the attached comments from Mid Sussex tree officer. From what I can see there are three main issues that they have, these are;

1. Tree crown pruning for the development
2. Future pressure on trees to the west of the site from shading requiring pruning
3. RPA incursions

My suggestions to address these issues are;

1. Having done a quick overlay of the proposed car ports onto Google Earth, there appears to be very little pruning required. Would it be worth producing an aerial image with location on that shows the trees?



2. We could produce a shading prediction map, from what I can see all the proposed units have areas of their patios adjacent to the main building that are not within the cast shadows, it should also be noted that these trees the tree officer is concerned about are not under the ownership of the development site. Further to this we could recommend that the trees in question be protected under Tree Preservation Orders by the council as they fit the criteria for this, and further to this the document Mid Sussex District Plan 2014-2031 DP37 states that this is how they will protect trees of importance or trees they deem threatened by development. Should these trees have TPOs put on them it would be unlikely that it would have any impact on current development plans.

3. From what I can ascertain the RPA incursions that are beyond the acceptable tolerances are T2 and T3, these trees are adjacent to the main access driveway. What is the proposal for the driveway, would it require widening it beyond the existing concrete? Is there scope to reduce the width of the

driveway to minimize the impact?

If you'd like to chat things through, feel free to call. I'm away over the next couple of weeks by will be picking up emails and calls.

Thank you

Kind regards

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Hi Ben,

Please see the Mid Sussex tree officer's comments attached. Would you be able to respond to the points she raises in terms of excessive pruning and incursions into the RPAs ?

Thanks. Give us a call if you want to discuss anything.

Kind regards,

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