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Fwd: DM/25/2308

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To treeenquiries <treeenquiries@midsussex.gov.uk>

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: 19 September 2025 at 16:45:29 BST
To: irene.fletcher@midsussex.gov.uk
Subject: DM/25/2308

Dear Ms Fletcher,

We were delighted to receive the council's letter this morning regarding the application to fell to ground level the birch tree at Foyles, 125 High Street, Lindfield. As near neighbours at 129 High Street, our lives are blighted by this tree during the months of August and September. There is so much debris from the tree that we can't open our back door or windows on the front or the back our house during these months, without thousands of tiny leaves entering our house. As an example, if we open our bedroom window by two inches on a hot day, the leaves end up in our bed sheets. Our patio and the front of our house must be swept daily to try and keep the debris under control. For reference, we have lived at our property for twenty years and so can testify that this issue still persisted when the tree was smaller (ie, simply cutting it back would not help the problem).

Further to this, we are deeply concerned that the height of the tree poses a serious threat to the back of our house which it would hit directly were it to come down in a storm.

We would welcome the opportunity to show you how our house and garden are affected by the tree if it would help in considering the case.

We have the greatest respect for old trees and the work which you do in protecting them. Unfortunately this birch tree is at best a terrific nuisance and at worst a danger to us.

Best regards,

[REDACTED]