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Hi Katherine,

I am concerned that part of the application site covers land protected by TPO ref BH/06/TPO/96 which now contains no trees, although I note refers to the site being cleared about 10 years ago, this area is land to the rear of 203 Junction Road. There has been no ability to assess this TPO area.

Apart from that, there were 9 individually protected trees on the land, some of these have been removed with consent being granted, others appear to have disappeared.

Planning permission was granted under ref DM/16/5329, for 3 houses, subject to landscaping. This was not implemented, although the land was cleared, no replanting was carried out. I do not consider that there is adequate space to provide meaningful replanting with this scheme.

Replacement trees for applications, refs DM/21/3638 and DM/22/3360 do not have space to develop and will be under pressure to be removed/pruned. They have been included in the AIA but there is no reference to their future potential and, already, the proposed buildings appear too close to the young trees, and no RPA has been shown. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policy DP37.

I object to the application, however, if permission is granted, adherence to the method statement should be required. A full landscaping plan should also be submitted, with maintenance details etc.

Thanks,

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