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I note that at least 38 non native trees and shrubs are proposed to be planted for this development, contrary to Kirklees Council and WYCA policy on Climate and Biodiversity Emergencies. I was unable to ascertain species for sites other than Cavalry Arms junction, so maybe more.

Non native species will have minimal benefit to biodiversity especially since they will not be part of native food webs, and food chains that would be associated with native species. E.g 326 species are depend on oak for survival 229 species rarely found on trees other than oak.

I would propose that only species recorded as native to the location are specified in the Application and planting stock should be of local provenance, salvaged as saplings from thinning and scrub management of nearby woodland as is referred to in the application, thus ensuring local provenance, optimising carbon sequestration, of saplings that may otherwise be cut and sprayed with Glyphosate, and economy compared to specimen nursery stock as the Application implies, perhaps saving £10,000 and ensuring sustainability implied in Kirklees and WYCA policy Declarations.

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