

**Consultation Response from KC,  
Trees**

**2023/91491 Prickleden Mills, Woodhead Road, Holmfirth, HD9 2JU**

**Erection of 61 age-restricted apartments with ancillary accommodation including separate residents lounge and manager facilities and associated external works, including the erection of access bridge and riverside walk featuring two pedestrian bridges (within a Conservation Area)**

**Date Responded: 11/08/2023**

**Responding Officer: D. Atkinson**

**Responding Ref: 08/95/w1**

Thank you for the consultation and I apologise for the late reply.

The site is within the Holmfirth Conservation Area and adjacent to protected woodland, ref 08/95/w1. The proposals will on the whole have no impact on the adjacent trees however the woodland edge is raised above the level of the proposed car parking on what appears to be bedrock.

A Tree Preservation Order is an order made by a local planning authority in England to protect specific trees, groups of trees or woodlands in the interests of amenity. An Order prohibits the:

- cutting down
- topping
- lopping
- uprooting
- wilful damage
- wilful destruction

of trees without the local planning authority's written consent. If consent is given, it can be subject to conditions which have to be followed. In the Secretary of State's view, cutting roots is also a prohibited activity and requires the authority's consent.

Please can trees team have clarification and details of the soil stabilisation that is proposed to be undertaken adjacent to the protected trees, marked as G1 in the tree survey (Ref 230614) and Arboriculture Impact Assessment (AIA) (Ref 230614 AIA).

Overall, in principle there is no objection to the proposal. However, now there is a holding objection proposal needs to provide further information to comply with Kirklees Council's adopted Policy LP33