

**Consultation Response from KC,  
Trees**

**2025/90931 adj, 258, Wakefield Road, Denby Dale, Huddersfield, HD8 8SU**

**Erection of dwelling with detached garage and associated external alterations**

**Date Responded: 21/05/2025**

**Responding Officer: Hazel Irving**

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Following the email from Joe Hinchliffe dated 12/05/2025, highlighting the removal of the purple beech, I can confirm that the development can be considered, however there remains other trees within the site and on the adjacent property which must be considered in line with BS5837:2012.

For applications to demonstrate that they meet the requirements of Kirklees Local Plan policies, it is a requirement that all planning applications, that may affect trees, are supported by the necessary documents set out in British Standard BS 5837, Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction Recommendations.

On that basis the following documents are required in support of planning applications, all of which should be in accordance with BS 5837:

- A survey of the trees located on, and immediately adjacent to, the site and/or are capable of influencing the proposed site. To include assessment of the condition of the trees and their retention value.
- An Arboricultural Impact Assessment. Which should incorporate a realistic assessment of the probable impact of any proposed development on the trees and vice versa. To include but not limited to; assessments of the factors set out in section 5 of BS 5837; plan overlaying the proposals with tree constraints including shade patterns; evaluation of impact of proposed losses and necessary pruning; draft tree protection plan.

An AMS may also be required subject to the findings of the Arboricultural Impact Assessment to detail how any impacted trees can be protected from the proposed development.

**There is a holding objection from an arboricultural perspective. The proposal conflicts with adopted Kirklees local plan policy 33 and 24 (i).**

*LP 33: "The Council will not grant planning permission for developments which directly or indirectly threaten trees or woodlands of significant amenity value.*

*Proposals should normally retain any valuable or important trees where they make a contribution to public amenity, the distinctiveness of a specific location or contribute to the environment, including the wildlife Habitat Network and green Infrastructure networks. Proposals will need to comply with relevant national standards regarding the protection of trees in relation to design, demolition and construction."*

*LP 24: "Proposals should promote good design by ensuring:- i) the retention of valuable or important trees"*