

**Consultation Response from KC,
Trees**

2026/90702 Fieldhead, Snelsins Road, Cleckheaton, BD19 3UE

Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of detached leisure building, car port and annex accommodation associated with Fieldhead, Snelsins Road, Cleckheaton, BD19 3UE

Date Responded: 26/05/2026

Responding Officer: H Irving

Responding Ref: SP2/70

There are trees within your property subject to Tree Preservation Order SP2/70.

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.

An Arboricultural Impact Assessment ref. 22667d/LW, dated 8th May 2026, has been submitted and reviewed. The proposals are unsuitable from an arboricultural perspective as the pool house is sited significantly within the RPA and canopy of protected Cat B tree **T11**, which would seriously threaten its health and safe long-term retention.

There is an 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"