



Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath (KDBH)

Neighbourhood Forum

Response to Planning Application: PL/2021/00696/TPO

89 Manor Road, Dorridge, B93 8TT

Remove Oak Tree (T1) and Replace with Silver Birch or Similar

FAO: Jessica Mantle, Case Officer

The Council will be aware that the Forum is concerned about the number of planning applications involving the removal of mature trees, particularly of protected trees, in the KDBH Area.

In this case the Forum notes that there is some evidence of dead wood and the **potential** (our emphasis) for there to be a large cavity in the trunk. The Forum expects that the Council will carefully assess the evidence and, in the event that the Council is satisfied that there is no alternative but to remove this tree, the Forum requests that this protected tree is replaced with a like for like tree in line with the usual practice when a protected tree is removed. The Forum does not consider that a silver birch, or similar, is an appropriate replacement and therefore asks that the tree is replaced with an oak.

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