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Dear Toby

**Re: Sunningdale Park, Larch Avenue, SL5 0QE - 20/00126**

 **T37, Copper Beech- FELL (TPO 015 of 2017)**

The approved application for this site (18/00356) included a detailed arboricultural submission showing all the trees scheduled for removal. Every one of these trees was numbered and included on accurate maps which showed specific details about the tree specification (height, species, condition etc).

Now, this application (20/00126) requesting a Copper Beech tree to be felled ignores all that detailed arboricultural submission. Instead a completely new tree numbering system has been used that bears no relationship whatsoever to the tree numbers included in the approved plan.

It would not be realistic for the developer to submit new building plans that had no relationship to the approved scheme. Yet this is what has now been submitted for this tree.

In the approved submission (18/00356) only 3 x Copper Beech trees were scheduled for removal on the entire site. These were identified as tree numbers 1011, 1147 and 1158 and shown on sheet 3 of 4 of the Tree Removals Plan.

T37, to the right of the walled garden, which is scheduled for removal in this application was not identified for removal in the approved scheme.

The arboricultural report accompanying 20/00126 is poor. There is no identification of the size, age, height or overall condition of the tree. Neither is there any authoritative independent tree report submitted. Instead we are informed that it has fungal fruiting bodies. More relevant perhaps is that the application states the reason for felling is that there is the possibility of ‘*windthrow onto the access lane used by the estate team’*

As this is an extremely significant site within Sunningdale with so many TPO protected trees and as construction has not yet commenced, the Parish Council believe it is imperative that all future applications for tree removals/ tree works on this site MUST include reference to plans as well as arboricultural reports and tree numbers that were submitted for the approved scheme. We have therefore copied this e mail to RBWM legal team as well as the Tree Team.

Given the above the Parish Council **STRONGLY OBJECT** to this application.

Yours sincerely

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Chair Planning Committee