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Dear RBWM Planning

23/01787 Silverwood House The Spinney Sunningdale Ascot SL5 0AS Pinus Ayacahute - fell (002/2001/TPO)

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Sunningdale Parish Council considered these applications at the Planning Committee on 1 August 2023 and has a **concern** about the proposed trees removal.

This application is for the felling of two Pinus Ayacahute trees (photo shown to the right).



The application states that the trees proposed for felling are TPO trees, but a full Arboricultural Report has not been uploaded to support this application. This is contrary to the RBWM application form which states that if the tree is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall you are required to provide written arboricultural advice. The applicant has answered YES to this question.

The Planning Committee requests more information and imagery to support the application, to help identify the condition of the tree and following felling.

Approving this request would be contrary to paragraph 131 of the NPPF 2021, which asks that "existing trees are retained wherever possible".

Sunningdale Parish Council request that RBWM obtain professional tree advice to examine these aspects in some detail. It is proposed that instead of felling the tree any dead branches throughout the canopy are removed to safeguard against any branches falling.

Sunningdale Parish Council asks that until additional information is received, **no decision is made** on this application.

Yours sincerely

Anne-Catherine Buxton Chair of the Planning Committee