



TREE CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Application No	2026/0276
Proposal	Cut back Poplar tree T1 back to the knuckles from previous pruning within TPO 10/1990.
Address	101 Hough Lane, Wombwell, Barnsley, S73 0EG.
Date of Consultation Reply	23/06/2026
Consultee	Edward Jowett (Tree Officer)

Consultation Assessment and Justification

The tree is an early mature/mature Poplar which forms part of a wider group, the trees are prominent in the locality and as such have significant amenity value.

The tree subject to this application has previously been reduced several times as is evident from the knuckles which have formed, these works therefore are to repeat this operation. The nature of the reduction works previously undertaken dictate what can be considered acceptable now as works of this nature would ordinarily not be considered appropriate. The formation of the knuckle due to repeated pruning to a size rather than using the principles of natural target pruning mean that the regrowth is not as strongly attached as would usually be the case. This does not make the tree inherently dangerous or even a risk but it does dictate that repetition of the previous reduction is the most sensible option rather than trying to prune the tree back into a more natural form.

I can therefore confirm that there is no objection to the pruning works proposed for the reasons outlined above.

Note: Assessments of tree condition and safety are based on a simple visual inspection from ground level. Comments should not be taken as a definitive assessment of tree health, as this should be carried out by a suitably qualified arboriculturist, possibly including a high level inspection. The applicant should be reminded of the owner's legal responsibilities to ensure that trees are regularly inspected and maintained in a safe condition.

NO OBJECTION*

*Delete as applicable

Consultation Suggested Conditions:

Not less than five working days notice of the date of the proposed work shall be given in writing to the Local Planning Authority and the tree surgery shall be carried out to the standards set out in BS3998.

Reason: To ensure the work accords with good arboricultural practice.

Consultation Informative(s):

Time limit for TPO works

The proposed tree works should be completed within 2 years of the date of this consent.

Permission



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Before proceeding with the notified works, you should ensure that you have the permission of the owner, and comply with all other relevant legislation, for example it is an offence to disturb nesting birds, and bat roosts.