

Mr Geoffrey Abbott
75 West End
Kirkbymoorside
YO62 6AD

30th June 2026

Dear Sir

APPLICATION NO: ZE26/00333/CAT

APPLICANT: Mr Geoffrey Abbott

DESCRIPTION: Removal of 5.no Leyland Cypress Trees, 1.no Lawsons Cypress and 1.no Hinoki Cypress. Pruning of 1.no Pear Tree by approximately 3m, 1.no Rowan Tree by 2.5m and 1.no Holly Hedge to be reduced to 1.8m

LOCATION: 75 West End, Kirkbymoorside, YO62 6AD

I refer to your notification for works to trees in a Conservation Area. I can confirm that the Council has no objection to the proposed works.

Yours faithfully

Anna Hughes
Career Grade Planning Officer

INFORMATIVE

Tree pruning or felling are specialist operations that require trained tree contractors (tree surgeon or arborist) who carry the appropriate Public Liability Insurance. The following is a link to a recent Health & Safety Executive (HSE) case which highlights the risks of using unqualified contractors:

[School trust fined after member of public hit by falling tree branch – HSE Media Centre](#)

For more information and examples of questions to ask a prospective tree contractor, the following link is useful: [Arboricultural Association - Choosing your Arborist \(Tree Surgeon\)](#)

For any further information please contact the North Yorkshire Council's Tree & Woodland Team: trees@northyorks.gov.uk

Active nests

If tree works are to be carried out during the bird nesting season (March to August inclusive), trees should be inspected to confirm the presence or otherwise of active nests no more than 48 hours prior to the commencement of works. A record of the inspection should be retained.

ADVISORY

Replacement planting

Consideration should be given to planting a tree(s) of native species within the curtilage of the property as a replacement.

Nursery stock size 10-12 cm girth when measured at 1.5 metres from ground level at the point of planting is recommended.

The tree should be planted in a prepared pit, which is 50% larger than the root ball of the tree to be planted. It is useful if the sides are forked over to help alleviate compaction and allow the tree roots to become established.

The tree should be planted with the root collar at the same level as the surrounding soil levels.

It is recommended the tree is anchored with a single stake and attached to the stem of the tree at approx. 1 metre above ground level. The stake should be driven into the ground clear of the root ball. For best results, the tree should be planted between November and March inclusive.