

Tarek Ball

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Dear Mr Ball,

Thank you for sight of the TPO on the holm oak on land at Milton Drive, Hagley, DY9 9LS which I received yesterday. This tree is the shared responsibility, along with the rest of the drive, of the 3 houses as identified in each house's lease.

While fully supporting the intention behind the TPO, as it is a beautiful tree, adding much to the immediate environment, from discussion with my neighbours I would point out that the tree requires work conducting on it because:

- 1 the canopy has increased in size since it was last lopped over 10 years ago and is significantly impacting on light, particularly for house No. 1
- 2 some roots are expanding and causing damage to the drive
- 3 it is suspected that root growth is encroaching on the drains of at least one house
- 4 there is evidence of disease on the trunk which may be causing it to develop a hollow centre, thereby risking the long term health of the tree

I would like the above points to be taken into consideration when determining whether the TPO is to be made permanent,

Yours sincerely,

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