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John,

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The applicant has proposed to carry out the following removal and ground alteration works:

The tree is a variegated holly tree. It stands quite tall now and occupies land which narrows the entrance and exit from the car park at the rear of No 6 Barlow Moor Road (the Old Rectory). We would like to remove the tree - to widen the area inside the gate so that it is safer for cars to access and egress the site. The wall and gateway will not be altered or affected by the trees removal, but the area where the holly tree stands will be leveled off and provide a clearer view for drivers and pedestrians.

We took advice from John Kelsey Senior planner at MCC before making our application.

Whilst the removal of the Holly would be a shame, the tree has a significant lean towards the driveway and will therefore be under constant pruning pressure to allow clear access. The tree is in a prominent location, however, it is shaded beneath the more dominant Lime specimen.

The removal of the Holly could be approved, however, we would be unable to support the proposed levelling of the area the Holly occupies due to the presence of the mature Lime tree.

The level changes around the base of the Lime could have a detrimental effect on the Lime trees health and therefore I would have to object to the proposals from an arboricultural perspective.

Kind regards

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