



Jane Griffin Director Colne Valley Regional Park
Colne Valley Park Visitor Centre, Denham Court Drive, Denham

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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Reference: **76459/APP/2022/3167**

Thank you for your representations sent via email on the above **Planning Application**.

Your comments were:-

In the species lists for tree planting are Sycamore and Sweet Chestnut which I don't think is appropriate as non-natives and have commented accordingly, but more worrying is the inclusion of Scotch Elm (Ulmus glabra). This is the North American nomenclature for Wych Elm and infers that the stock is sourced from this region. It goes on. In the grasses, Kentucky Blue-grass and Cat-grass are listed for Smooth Meadow-grass and Cock's-foot. Similarly Bird Vetch is listed instead of Tufted Vetch.

I am really worried that stock is being sourced from North America for these planting schemes, the implications of which are significant on a number of levels. Please can you clarify and if necessary get amendments?

The case officer has now been advised and your comments have been attached to the application. Once the application has been decided you will be notified of the decision, however please note, if the application sought is for a Certificate of Lawfulness we will not notify you of the decision as this application merely seeks the Council's view as to whether the said works can be carried out as permitted development.

In the meantime you are welcome to follow the progress of the application via the website or contact Karl Dafe the officer dealing with this application on 01895 250230

Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'J' and 'H' followed by a horizontal line.

Julia Johnson
Interim Director of Planning, Regeneration and Public Realm.