

**Comment on Application: Works to a Mixed Tree Group (Pruning and Felling)
Protected by TPO 09/2007**

Site: Former Allt-yr-Yn Campus, Allt-yr-Yn Avenue, Newport

Thank you for email about case ref: 26/0418 about which I make the following comments.

Whilst I am supportive of the application in principle, I wish to record my concerns and suggest the following caveats to the proposal. Many residential properties back directly onto the former Allt-yr-Yn Campus site. Consequently, different residents will have a particular interest in the specific areas identified within the Treecare Report, as different groups of trees are located closest to their homes. A number of these trees currently provide a significant degree of visual screening between the site and neighbouring properties. It is noted that many of the trees within the affected areas are described in the report as "Retain as wildlife habitat / visual screen, alternatively fell." While we appreciate that some of these trees are in poor condition and may require removal on safety or arboricultural grounds, we would ask that the following conditions be considered:

1. Replacement Planting

Any tree that is felled should be replaced on **at least** a one-for-one basis with appropriate new tree planting. This will help to maintain the long-term visual amenity, biodiversity value, and screening function currently provided by the tree groups.

2. Aftercare and Site Management

The areas where replacement trees are planted should be properly maintained and managed to give the new trees the best possible opportunity to establish and thrive. This should include suitable protection, weed control, and ongoing maintenance during the establishment period.

These measures would help ensure that, while necessary tree management works are undertaken, the long-term environmental and visual benefits of the site are preserved for both wildlife and neighbouring residents.