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Rochdale Council

24/00959/FUL | Erection of 5 no. dwellinghouses with associated landscaping and car parking following the demolition of existing garages | Land Adjacent To Rochdale Road At Hillbank Street And Church Avenue Middleton M24 2RB

Thank you for consulting the Ecology Unit on the above planning application.

With the exception of a semi-mature Sycamore tree (identified as T001 in the Arboriculture Report), all of the other trees which will need to be removed to facilitate the scheme are rather unexceptional category U or C trees.

T001 will need to be removed if the application is deemed to be permissible. While I would not regard the tree as having such high amenity value that it merits special protection via a TPO, I do believe that replacement planting should be sought for the loss of the tree. I appreciate that space is very constrained on both plots, but there is some potential for a new tree or trees to be planted either close to site entrances or within a garden space, and these options should be pursued through a requirement for a landscape plan to be prepared as a Condition of any permission granted.

Yours

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