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Dear Mr Boyes

Re: Temporary TPO, 175 (2020) - Land off Droitwich Road, Feckenham

We wish to set out our objections to this order.

We are the developer promoting the site for planning consent and as such have a detailed understanding of the site and its trees, informed by several assessments by our Arborist. We have no objection to the order in respect of the Walnut tree, identified as T1, this is a valuable and substantial tree.

We strongly object to the inclusion of the group of trees, that includes a Yew tree and mainly coppice Hazel Stools marked G1. The Hazel stools are overstood and although a well established boundary feature, partially through their management on the Eastern boundary, are significantly unbalanced with the canopy extent to the West. They are reaching the stage where collapse, or partial collapse is imminent. The traditional management of hazel coppice is regular cutting (coppicing) and as this has not taken place in recent times, stools become larger, self single or collapse from the coppice point. We contend that these trees both individually and as a group are not of sufficient value and condition to warrant the Tree Preservation Order that is placed on them. Furthermore, the restriction will impede future coppicing works, which is the management that would be required to regenerate these coppice stools.

To highlight our point please see below some images recently taken of these Hazel stools.

We would request that the recently made Temporary Tree Preservation Order is removed from this Tree group for the reasons identified above.

Yours sincerely
H2land Ltd



Mark Donald
Director