

<b>APPLICATION NO: 18/00215/TPO</b>		<b>OFFICER: Mr Christopher Chavasse</b>	
<b>DATE REGISTERED:</b> 30th January 2018		<b>DATE OF EXPIRY :</b> 27th March 2018	
<b>WARD:</b> Oakley Ward		<b>PARISH:</b>	
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Ms Kemple		
<b>LOCATION:</b>	8 Moorcourt Drive, Cheltenham		
<b>PROPOSAL:</b>	Yew - Fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with 3-4 fruit trees.		

## REPRESENTATIONS

Number of contributors	<b>1</b>
Number of objections	<b>0</b>
Number of representations	<b>0</b>
Number of supporting	<b>1</b>

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**Comments:** 8th February 2018  
Letter attached.

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**Comments:** 14th March 2018

I have tried to call you but have been unable to get through. I had some further thoughts which I hope you can take into account to avoid this matter going to planning committee.

I have contacted the Gloucestershire Orchards Trust following your recommendation and have details of some local heritage varieties which would promote bees and other pollinating insects. I have also obtained advice from a specialist orchard nursery who tell me that the fruit trees are unlikely to grow with the yew tree being there.

Regarding your suggestion of removing the holly trees instead of the yew, I would prefer them to remain because of the security they provide. They are close to the boundary, prickly and not too dense. This means they will not interfere with the growth of the fruit trees, but more importantly will deter people from our garden. Our property has been burgled previously and things have been thrown into the garden from the road (such as the municipal bin). I would be loathe to remove the hollies for fear of removing their deterrent effect.

Also, further research has made me increasingly concerned about the health risks of the yew. As you are aware every single part of the yew tree is deadly poisonous, even in very small quantities (apart from the berries as you pointed out). In addition, they are highly allergenic and are known to aggravate asthma - my 4 year old son requires an inhaler.

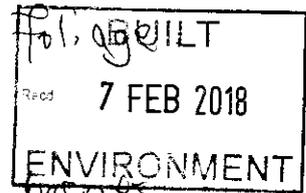
I do hope that the above would allow you to reconsider your decision.

Point of view from [redacted] 7 Moorehill Drive Pottville  
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YEW - Taxus baccata

Evergreen conifer with dense dark  
grows slowly to 60ft.

Poisonous leaves, bark, shoots and red berries  
therefore not suitable in people's gardens  
especially where there are young children - in this  
case 3 under 5yrs old including a new baby.



In this particular situation there are healthy evergreen  
holly trees which would still provide privacy and,  
more importantly, allow more light through as it is on  
the south side of the property.

Nothing can grow there as it is too dark and the trees  
take up all the goodness out of the soil.

I have noticed that the new fencing that has been put up by  
the owners has been broken down in places (I would suggest by local  
lads) - it is so dark there that they can create havoc without  
anyone noticing. That situation could be greatly improved, and  
Pottville Circus Road would be greatly enhanced at that point too.  
This is a variety of tree suitable only for open spaces like parks and -  
In my opinion it should be felled.