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EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL OUTCOME OF TREE FELLING CONSULTATION

Between 28 March 2025 and 25 April 2025, East Sussex County Council ran a public consultation on the felling of the two trees on Langney Road. Details of the consultation can be found here:



Two responses were received to the consultation, one which was supportive of the tree felling and the other did not leave any comments/feedback.

As a part of the Eastbourne Town Centre Movement and Access Package Phase 2a works, improvements are proposed along Langney Road to convert the road to two-way from the current one-way traffic flow (northbound). Vehicles up to 7.5 tonnes only would be permitted to access Langney Road from the Susans Road junction but to facilitate this, it would be necessary to provide some form of turning facility.

The only area where a turning facility could be provided is outside of Dominos Pizza and 7ply, but a small amount of road widening would be required to achieve this. This would require the removal of the two existing trees.

Options to provide a turning area that did not impact on the trees were considered during the design process. This included:

- The provision of a turning area without any widening
- Re-positioning the turning area southwards into the pedestrianised area.

From this it was determined that there was insufficient space available to safely turn a vehicle up to 7.5 tonnes without providing any widening. Options that positioned the turning area within the new precinct could introduce additional conflict between turning vehicles and pedestrians.

A total of three new trees and six planters will be planted as part of the Eastbourne Town Centre Movement and Access Package Phase 2a scheme. Construction of this scheme is due to commence in Summer 2025 and finish in Summer 2026. Based on the consultation results and the design engineering options detailed above, the Local Highway Authority has approved the proposal to remove the two trees.