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For the attention of Mark Ramsey
Doncaster Council

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Sent via email

Dear Mark,

**22/02635/FUL - Land Off North Side Of Barnsley Road Scawsby Doncaster
DN5 8QE - Use of land for self storage containers**

Thank you for your letter of 23rd January 2023 giving notification of the above application. The Parish Council considered the application at its meeting on 16th February 2023 and would like to make the following observations;

1. Concern is raised regarding the loss of trees and biodiversity on the site. At present there are significant areas of mature trees within the site and areas of shrub— particularly along the north, east and southern boundary which appear from the site plan to be removed and replaced with 'new planting'. There is also a line of trees which dissect the site from east to west and along the southern boundary where the entrance to the site is and also adjacent to the access road for Aldi.

There is no note of what the 'new planting' will contain within the documentation provided by the applicant nor an explanation regarding the loss of the trees. The proposal does not include a tree survey which we would ask is submitted in line with Policy 32 of the adopted Local Plan and comments from the council's tree officers sought regarding this issue.

2. Concern is also raised regarding the level of planting and screening in the north boundary between the proposed development and residential properties on Lower Malton Road. At present there is significant tree coverage along this boundary which includes mature trees providing a suitable landscape buffer. The proposal identifies an area of new planting which is questioned why this is necessary given the existing tree/ shrub boundary.

Kind regards,

Emma Garner
Clerk to the Council