I would like to advise Torphins Community Council that we intend to submit a felling permission application on behalf of Learney Estate to fell individual trees, which have been assessed as defective and are considered to present a road safety risk at a number of roadside locations across the estate. The areas where felling works are proposed are shown in the attached map. By way of additional information, I would also like to advise the following:

- 1 We have undertaken a tree survey to assess trees that appear hazardous.
- 2 A professional bat survey has been commissioned and any felling works will be carried out to ensure protection of bats in accordance with the recommendations of the surveyor.
- 3 Felling works will be timed to avoid the bird nesting season.
- 4 Consultation has taken place with Aberdeenshire Council roads department regarding traffic management requirements.
- 5 We only propose to remove problematic / dangerous trees.

I hope that Torphins Community Council find this information useful and I would be grateful for any comments.

Best Regards

