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Dear Ms Hosker

## RE:- Tree Planting at Swinton Castle, Masham - White Rose Forest. Additional Advice: Fencing

Thank you for your additional information regarding the protection the trees will need as the fields are grazed by sheep and there are deer in the area.

All trees need individual protection using tree guards, and biodegradable tubes are a good plan for as you say they are a more natural colour and will be less visually apparent. We advise that when the trees are established and not vulnerable that the tubes should be checked and removed if they remain in place.

We have no objection to wooden posts and wire netting fencing to prevent the sheep gaining access as is already in place around the existing woodland blocks; and thank you for sending a photograph.

The parkland strip near the road will be individual livestock proof guards (mesh/wooden) as typical parkland protection due to their low density so there will not be any fencing in that location.

The Gardens Trust and Yorkshire Gardens Trust have no objection.

Yours sincerely

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