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Dear Alex,

I am concerned when trees are felled in our rear gardens, particularly indigenous trees.

I can understand that when a mulberry is not fruiting this is of regret as this species' fruit are such a pleasure, though growing at an angle is a feature of this beautiful and rugged-looking tree.

I will leave you to determine if the fork in the hawthorn is weak, however can appreciate the desire to widen a grass lawn for children.

Could I request that the trees to replace the 2 felled - if you decide this is appropriate - themselves be a mulberry (of a strongly fruiting when young variety) and a hawthorn. These 2 trees are ideal for children's appreciation of trees: the delicious mulberry fruit, the rugged beauty of a mulberry, the biodiversity impact of both trees for birds and insects, and the non-poisonous hawthorn "bread and cheese" with beautiful flowers and fruit, that nevertheless with its small thorns teaches children respect for trees without fear of harm.

Best wishes

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