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Subject: FW: marble hill plans

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At a time when biodiversity is in crisis, (<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2018/oct/30/humanity-wiped-out-animals-since-1970-major-report-finds>) is Richmond Council going to approve the destruction of woodland dating back to the late 1800s, a habitat for song thrushes and an area of rich biodiversity in favour of bonded gravel paths and a flower garden?

The felling of more than 277 trees is shocking - and the removal of 5 mature trees to build the cafe even more appalling. Surely this can be modified - the council's own tree officer is opposed to the scheme because of the significant loss of trees - more can surely be done to stop this?

EH will listen if the council tells them to modify these proposals. What is wrong with creating woodland walks in the four woodland areas, with soil paths and keeping the majority of the trees?

A newly planted orchard and a flower garden do not in any way make up for the felling of 277 broad leaved woodland trees.

I wonder the response of the public when they hear that the Lib Dem council has nodded through a plan to fell 277 plus trees in the face of objections to the scheme from the council's own tree officer...

best

Sandra Laville
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