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Hi [Redacted]

Locally, the moorland and forestry tracks on Abbeystead estate have a dark grey surfacing, which seems to blend in with the local landscape pretty well. I'm told by their agent that the stone is generally sourced from local quarries (such as Waddington Fell). Generally 40mm to dust, with 20mm cappings.

Hope that helps.

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Thank you, [Redacted]

Yes, a very good point. I'd be interested to note any areas that you might know of where a more successfully sympathetic gritstone colour has been used?

If you can share a location to view a 'good' example and a 'less good' example, I'd be very keen to view where it's possible to see better practice and more suitable material for the visuals and mineral import.

Many thanks,

[Redacted]

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Subject: RE: Planning query for new forestry roads

No worries, [Redacted].

Whilst I have your attention (and I can't remember if I raised this in any previous correspondence with Matt regarding the forestry track construction), but from a landscape perspective if you are bringing in materials for surfacing the track, please can you consider using a gritstone which is darker in colour and tone (dark grey/brown)?

We have seen some recent track repairs and construction of moorland tracks in the AONB which have been surfaced with limestone and these are very light in colour, making them very visually intrusive and impactful.

Thanks

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Dear [Redacted] – my apologies - I have now seen that this permitted development has already been covered with an approval from the Ribble Valley and as such my earlier email is not requiring your further attention. You may ignore my email of 13:51 from earlier today.

With kind regards,

[Redacted]

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Dear [Redacted],

I have just sent the attached and below to the Ribble Valley District Planners, as we seek to consolidate information for the afforestation of Fair Oak Fell which is currently going through Forestry Commission Woodland Creation Planning Grant process.

In lining up the plans, and in preparation of a Landscape and Visual assessment (still to be commissioned) we're seeking some advice on the installation of a forestry track which is still to be determined in scope and scale, but might attempt to follow something of a line on the attached screen grab.

If you have information that might be useful and for us to follow appropriately, I'd be very grateful of your time and input.

With kind regards,

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Subject: Planning query for new forestry roads

Dear Ribble Valley District Planners

I'm making contact as the forestry agent for the Duchy of Lancaster. We have been asked to consider and plan an afforestation for Fair Oak Fell, near Whitewell, Dunsop Bridge, in the AONB of Forest of Bowland and currently going through the Forestry Commission's Woodland Creation Planning Grant.

As part of the afforestation, we're intending consideration and construction of a forestry access track across the fell, which at this stage has not been designed nor consulted on. We will of course need to understand all constraints and opportunities and will be seeking advice on the correct process and recommendations to fulfil the client's intentions and requirements.

This email is a 'first ask' to enquire about the process we'll need to follow; to understand if the works would be considered under permitted development for forestry; and whether there is someone who might be able to give a few minutes time to discussion in this regard, so we understand what our obligations and position is to plan this afforestation please.

If you can pass my details to a suitable office, I'd be very grateful to know what we might need to align for this to happen.

I attach a simple crude screen grab of the meterage that this *might* run to and vaguely *illustrative* of a potential line for this access trackway at this un-consulted stage. If it helps, the google pin drop here might assist in locating the site:

<https://goo.gl/maps/FRajZXZ4kdGowQZz6>

With kind regards,



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