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Chris,

The proposed new agricultural building would be just about outside the Root Protection Area of a tall mature Poplar tree standing on the boundary line between the domestic curtilage and the existing "stable yard" area.

However, the building would be immediately adjacent to the roadside boundary hedge, and would require the removal of a group of 3 recently planted Cherry saplings and may also require the cutting back of some more established Damson trees within the hedgeline (or at least limit their further full development. Whilst the Cherry saplings are young/small enough to readily relocate, the underlying issue is that the proposed new building would be visually extremely prominent against the roadside boundary, with no space to the south-west elevation to plant substantial screening planting.

I'd suggest that from a visual impact point of view such a building would be better sited in the field to the rear (north-east) of the existing timber stables/sheds – but suffuiciently far from the north-east boundary of the field (perhaps around 7m minimum) to avoid impact on the roots of the mature trees (Ash and Sycamore) within this boundary beyond the sheds.

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