TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

New Tree Preservation Order Request

DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

AUTHORISATION	INITIALS	DATE
Officer recommendation:	CPD	19.12.18
Manager/HoS Authorisation	Cathebicknell.	20.12.18
Admin checks / despatch completed		

Enquiry No: 5

Date received: 18/12/18 **Site visit:** 19/120/18

Town / Parish: FWTC

Application No: N/A

Address:

80 Halstead Road, Kirby le Soken FOS

1. <u>Site Description</u>

The dwelling is a newly built property fronting Halstead Road. Both trees are situated within the curtilage of the dwelling. The boundary of the front garden adjacent to the highway is demarcated by a few Leylandii and other hedging conifers. The drive is set to shingle and the rear garden set to grass with a few established trees.

2. <u>Trees</u>

1 Cupressocyparis Leylandii and 1 Oak

3. Officer Appraisal

Purpose of report

To assess the health, condition and amenity value of the trees in order to determine whether or not they merit formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order

<u>Amenity</u>

The Leylandii is on the front boundary adjacent to the highway and is clearly visible from a public place however it is poorly formed and is not a rare or otherwise valuable specimen.

The Oak is situated at the bottom of the rear garden and is a well formed tree with considerable future growth potential. It is not clearly visible from the highway and the degree to which it can be

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seen is inhibited by intervening vegetation. It is estimated to be approximately 70m from the highway

A TEMPO assessment of the trees was made at the time of the site visit and is annexed to this report

Suitability for TPO

The assessment determines that the Leylandii does not meet the criteria under which it would merit formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order.

The Oak scores highly on the TEMPO and the making of a TPO could be justified if it were genuinely considered to be at risk of removal.

During the site visit and discussion with the owner of the property it was made clear that whilst consideration has been given to the removal of the Leylandii there is no intention to remove or carry out other works to the Oak.

Central government guidance makes it clear that new TPO's should not be made in respect of trees that are currently under good management.

Recommendation

The Leylandii does not merit protection by means of a TPO.

The Oak is not believed to be at risk and consequently also does not justify protection by means of a TPO.

No Further action required

Has the decision been published?	YES	NO	
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