

TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

New Tree Preservation Order

DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

AUTHORISATION	INITIALS	DATE
Officer recommendation:	CPD	09.04.19
Manager/HoS Authorisation	<i>Cath Bicknell</i>	09.04.19
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Enquiry No: 2

Date received: 26/03/19

Site visit: 27/03/19

Town / Parish: Ardleigh

Application No: 19/00467/FUL

Address:

Land Adj. Fernview
Turnpike Close
Ardleigh
Colchester

1. Site Description

The land not currently in use or otherwise occupied but has previously been used for the keeping or grazing of horses. There are no trees or other vegetation in the main body of the land however there is established vegetation on the boundaries with adjacent highways.

2. Trees

1 Oak and several Horse Chestnut.

Officer Appraisal

Purpose of report

To assess the health, condition and amenity value of the trees on the application site in order to determine whether or not any are threatened by the development proposal and consequently merit formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order.

Amenity

An initial assessment indicates that the tree with the highest amenity value is the mature Oak situated in the south western corner of the application site. The tree is a large and impressive specimen that features positively in the street scene and makes a good contribution to the appearance of the public realm.

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

Comments on Planning application attached

Other trees on the land were not assessed under TEMPO as it was apparent that their condition was such that regardless of their amenity value they did not merit protection by means of a TPO. Their amenity value could be relatively easily replicated by new planting that could be secured by a planning condition if planning permission for the development of the land were likely to be granted.

Suitability for TPO

The Oak tree scored highly under the TEMPO Assessment and merits formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order

Recommendation

Make new TPO for one Oak.

Has the decision been published?	YES	NO
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