


**TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS**

**New Tree Preservation Order Request**

**DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT**

<b>AUTHORISATION</b>	<b>INITIALS</b>	<b>DATE</b>
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**Enquiry No: 2**

**Date received: 26.11.20**

**Site visit: 4.03.21**

**Town / Parish: Gt Bromley**

**Application No:20/01491/OUT**

**Address:**

4 Boulton Cottage  
Frating Road  
Gt Bromley  
Essex

**1. Site Description**

The site is an area of unmaintained land adjacent to the residential curtilage of 4 Boulton Cottages, Frating Road, Great Bromley. The site contains a small culinary Apple and a Spruce in the main body of the land.

It is otherwise set to rough grass with brambles becoming established. The most visually prominent trees are situated on the southern boundary of the application site and comprise of two large Oak and a Field Maple. There is a smaller oak beneath the canopy of the central tree that is poorly formed and leaning.

**2. Trees**

2 Oak  
1 Field Maple

**3. Officer Appraisal**

**Purpose of report**

*Primarily to correct an error in the plotting of the trees contained in Tree Preservation Order 21/05/TPO*

To consider the implication of the development proposal on trees and other vegetation on the land as well as the potential impact of the development on the wider countryside. To assess the health, condition and amenity value of the trees on the land in order to determine whether or not any merit formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order

**Amenity**

Both Oaks are approximately 20m tall and can be seen from several points along the Frating Road. The Field Maple is smaller – about 7m tall but closer to the highway. All three trees are of such a size, and situated in positions, that views of them can be enjoyed by the public.

At the time of inspection the trees were not in leaf but appeared from a visual inspection from the ground to have a well formed and healthy branch structure.

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 contribution that the trees make to the amenity of the locality is high.

The trees constrain the land to which the development proposal relates At the present time the Council has not been provided with information to demonstrate that the development of the land could take place without causing harm to the trees.

As the trees are prominent features in their setting and are potentially at risk as a result of the development proposal it is considered that the trees merit retention and formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order.

**Recommendation**

New TPO to be made in respect of 2 Oaks and 1 Field Maple

<b>Has the decision been published?</b>	YES	NO
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