

## **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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| Manager/HoS Authorisation         | JPG             | 09/01.23    |
| Admin checks / despatch completed |                 |             |

**Enquiry No: 2**

**Date received:** 20 July 2022.

**Site visits:** 28 July 2022 and 31.01.2023

**Town;** Gt Clacton

**Application No:**22/01087/FUL

**Request from:** Internal Consultation

**Address:**

Land to the rear of the Ship Inn  
2 Valley Road  
Gt Clacton  
Essex  
CO13 0AX

1. **Site Description**

The site is neglected and overgrown with rank and ruderal vegetation comprising of mainly brambles, nettles and ivy.

2. **Trees**

The site contains 3 specimen Sycamore and a group of 10 Sycamore.

3. **Officer Appraisal**

**Purpose of report**

To assess the health, condition and amenity value of the trees, along with any potential threat to their retention, in order to determine whether they merit formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order.

**Amenity**

The sycamore trees are early mature specimens that are positive feature in their setting. They make a significant positive contribution to the amenities of the locality and to the character and appearance of the Great Clacton Conservation Area. The trees are good examples of their species. When inspected from ground level the trees have a reasonably a well-formed branch

structure with no obvious defects. The tree canopies are healthy, with dense foliage that is free from any significant pest or disease attack or infestation.

A Tree Evaluation Method for Preservation Orders (TEMPO) assessment of the tree made at the time of the second site visit and is annexed to this report.

**Current Management.**

The trees have not been previously subjected to any recent crown reduction or other significant works.

**Suitability for TPO**

The contribution that the trees make to the character and appearance of the conservation area and to the amenity of the locality is such that their removal would adversely affect the local environment and its enjoyment by the public.

The TEMPO assessment confirmed that a defensible TPO could be made for the 3 individual trees and for the group of 10 trees.

As the implementation of the development proposal would result in the removal of two individual trees and the group of ten trees there is a real risk to the trees and consequently a TPO is justified.

Therefore, it is considered expedient to make all of the trees on the land the subjects of a new Tree Preservation Order.

**Recommendation**

New TPO to be made in respect of 3 individual Sycamore tree and one group of 10 Sycamore

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