


LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976

Dangerous Trees

DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

AUTHORISATION	INITIALS	DATE
Officer recommendation:	CPD	16.01.24
Manager/HoS Authorisation		18.01.24
Admin checks / despatch completed		

Date received: 9 January 2024

Site Visit: 15 January 2024

Town / Parish: Brightlingsea

Tree Species: Pine

Address

25 Manor House
Way
Brightlingsea
Essex

1. Site Description

The tree to which the complaint relates is situated in the rear garden of 25 Manor House Way.

2. Officer Appraisal

The tree is a fully mature specimen and is approximately 35m tall. It has a stem diameter of 1.2m (estimated). The tree has a relatively well formed, but open, branch structure typical of its species.

All of the foliage is brown indicating the recent death of the tree.

A close examination of the main stem reveals early stages of fungal growth in the bark crevices and 'tapping' revealed that the bark is not attached to the main stem. The bark can be easily separated from the main stem with a knife or screwdriver.

The tree is dead and will need to be felled to ground level within the next 12 months or so to avoid the risk of complete failure.

At the present time the tree is not considered to be in an imminently dangerous condition and therefore it is not proposed to take action under the powers contained in the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976).

The owner of the tree has been advised of its condition and will make arrangements for its removal in the next few months.

3. Recommendation

No action to be taken in respect of the condition of the tree at the present time.

4. Action

Complainant to be formally advised, of the above - that no direct action will be taken under the powers contained in The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 at the present time; but that that the owner of the land on which the tree is situated will make arrangements for its removal.

Has the decision been published?	YES	NO
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