

TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

New Tree Preservation Order Request

DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

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Enquiry No: 3

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Town; Frinton on Sea

Application No:

Request from: Local Resident.

Address:

Car park and Garage Area
Branscome Close
Frinton on Sea
Essex

1. Site Description

The land on which the trees are situated is adjacent to the car park and garage area serving properties in Branscombe Close. The land is overgrown and in a natural condition. It contains a large oak tree and smaller, Blackthorn, Goat Willow and Elder

2. Trees

The most prominent tree on the land is a single Oak.

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 or not they merit formal legal protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order.

Amenity

The Blackthorn, Goat Willow and Elder are attractive trees but do not feature prominently in the public realm.

The oak tree is a mature specimen that is a positive feature in its setting and a good example of its species. When inspected from ground level the tree has a well-formed branch structure with no

obvious defects. The tree makes a significant positive contribution to the wider appearance of the locality.

Current Management.

The tree has not been previously subjected to any recent crown reduction or other significant works.

Suitability for TPO

The contribution that the Oak makes to the amenity of the locality is high.

The TEMPO assessment confirmed that the oak could be made the subject of a defensible TPO.

The land on which the tree is situated is currently in an overgrown and neglected condition although natural in appearance and providing minor environmental benefits.

At the present time there appears to be little real threat to the retention of the tree, however the person requesting the TPO believes that the tree is at risk because of potential clearance works to extend the car parking area.

Although the tree is not considered to be at any immediate risk of removal a TPO can be made on a precautionary basis. Therefore, it is proposed to make the Oak tree the subject of a new Tree Preservation Order.

Recommendation

New TPO to be made in respect of 1 Oak Tree

Has the decision been published?	YES	
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