

Officer Report

31 October 2024

The woodland to which this application relates has been left in a natural condition for many years and has high amenity and wildlife value.

The proposal to selectively remove deadwood and small trees to a maximum of 5% of the total trees in the woodland is reasonable and will help to create paths and clearings which will improve the wildlife value and health of the woodland.

The element of the application the relates to the cutting back of vegetation from the highway is reasonable and necessary and has been the subject of previous formal action by the high authority to ensure safe use of the adjacent highway.

Decision - Approval

Condition - the works hereby permitted by this consent shall cover a period of five years from the date of the decision notice.

Reason - to allow the works to be carried out on an ad hoc basis by the owner of the woodland with a limited time span to enable the works to remain under the control of the local planning authority.