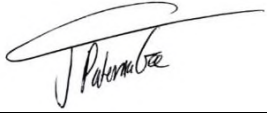


TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

New Tree Preservation Order Request

DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

AUTHORISATION	INITIALS	DATE
Officer recommendation:	CPD	28/07/25
Manager/HoS Authorisation		
Admin checks / despatch completed		30/07/25

Enquiry No: 3

Date received: 14 July 2025

Site visit: 28 July 2025

Town / Parish: Frinton and Walton TC

Application No. N/A

Address:

Halstead Rd
(Land Adjacent)
Kirby le Soken
Essex

1. Site Description

The land on which the trees are situated is in agricultural use and contains established trees in field boundary hedgerows.

2. Trees

Oak, Willow and Field Maple

3. Officer Appraisal

Purpose of report

To consider whether any of the trees on the land have such amenity value that they merit protection by means of a tree preservation order.

Following a request from a concerned member of the public a site visit and inspection of the trees was made to assess their health and condition and to consider the extent of the contribution that they make to the character and appearance of the locality, including the amenity value of individual trees and the possible threat to their viability.

Amenity

The land is crossed by several Public Rights of Way (PRoW's) and the trees and hedgerows are important features in a rural setting. All vegetation on the site features prominently in the public realm. There are several large trees, some of which exhibit veteran tree characteristics and others younger trees that appear, from a visual inspection from the ground, to be in good condition.

In terms of the amenity value of the trees the contribution that they make to the character and appearance of the locality is recognised.

The largest and most important trees on the land have no obvious significant structural defects and have a long safe useful life expectancy.

A dynamic visual assessment of the trees was made at the time of the site visit that determined that the several of the trees on the land merit formal legal protection.

Threat to trees

There is no known threat to the trees although there is a perceived threat felt by local residents. The concerns raised by local residents and the intrinsic value of the trees is such formal protection is justified.

The hedgerows are protected by way of the Hedgerow Regulations 1997.

Suitability for TPO

Several of the trees are mature healthy specimens that features relatively prominently in the public realm.

Considering the position of the trees and their amenity value it is considered that the largest and most prominent merit protection by means of a Tree Preservation Order.

Recommendation

New TPO to be made in respect of 1 Willow, 1 Field Maple and 21 Oak.

Has the decision been published?	YES	NO
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