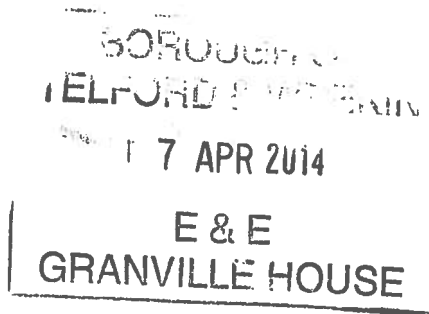


LEASOWES FARM
CRUDGINGTON
TELFORD TF6 6JN
4th April 2014



Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to make a Formal Objection to the Tree Preservation Order on an Oak Tree on the land South of St Michaels Church Waters Upton (504/14 777(e) 1974 dated 21st March 2014.

Our Land Agent drew our attention to the state of some sycamore trees along the public footpath at Waters Upton and said we had a duty of care to have these surveyed under Local Government Miscellaneous Act.

We immediately contacted the local company Access 2 Trees Owner Mr James Plaskett ARB (RES) Specialist Tree Surgeons to get advice and guidance we were advised to remove them at our very earliest convenience as they were very very dangerous to people using the Public Footpath.

He then contacted your Mr Gavin Onions and was given permission to fell these dangerous trees as soon as possible (Fortunately we were able to do this as a priority before the very high winds we have experienced this winter without mishap).

This has no doubt drawn attention to the oak tree that has been there for many years without any problems and it seems the public are just reacting to change without any understanding about what had to be done. This is why YOU have been asked to put a Tree Preservation Order on this tree.

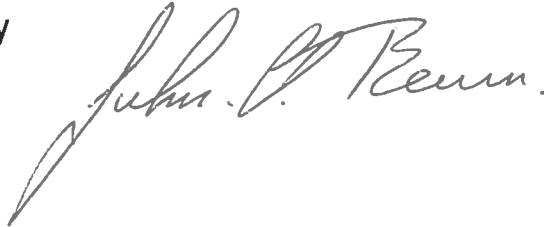
During the past 15 years we have planted and managed over 50 acres of New Woodland on our Estate and appreciate the value of trees more than most.

To summarise we feel that this Tree Preservation Order is unnecessary and wish to have a very good explanation for it being approved.

It seems that people who enjoy what we do in our countryside only see one side of the story. We felled the sycamore trees to protect the public but it seems the more we do to protect people the more legislation is put in our way. We were only carrying out our due diligence of care.

Instead of saying Thank you for leaving this tree and improving their safe use of the footpath all YOU GET are complaints from people who do not understand the whole picture therefore we **OBJECT TO YOUR PROPOSED TREE PRESERVATION ORDER.**

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John P. Brown". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "J.A BROWN".

J.A BROWN

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