

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE – 11 OCTOBER 2017

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 2017

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: GOVERNANCE, PROCUREMENT & COMMISSIONING

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1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform Members of the making of a provisional Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and to seek its confirmation.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members resolve to confirm the following Order without modification:-

Borough of Telford & Wrekin (Mulberry tree within the grounds of 8 Manor Road, Hadley, Telford TF1 5PN) Tree Preservation Order 2017

3.0 SUMMARY

- 3.1 On 16th of May 2017 a provisional Tree Preservation Order was made in respect of one Mulberry tree (identified as **T1** on the appended map – **Appendix 1**)
- 3.2 On 2nd of June 2017 an application to fell the TPO was received from the owner of the property in respect of the Mulberry tree (**T1**).

4.0 PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 4.1 None.

5.0 INFORMATION

5.1 Details of Objection

A copy of the application form is attached to this report as **Appendix 2**

5.2 Response of Arboricultural Officer

The response of the Arboricultural officer is attached as **Appendix 3**

6.0 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

- 6.1 Not applicable.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.1 The amenity value of the trees outweighs any reasons given for their removal.

8.0 LEGAL COMMENT

8.1 A Tree Preservation Order is made under the powers conferred on the Borough of Telford & Wrekin by Sections 198, 201 and 203 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. A Local Planning Authority may preserve trees or woodlands if it thinks it is expedient in the interests of amenity to do so.

8.2 The Tree Preservation Order does not preclude necessary lopping or pruning. However, it would be necessary for the Council to consent before any such work was undertaken.

8.3 Should an application be received for consent to fell any protected tree(s), conditions could be imposed to secure the replanting of suitable replacement trees.

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9.0 LINKS WITH CORPORATE PRIORITIES

9.1 The making of Tree Preservation Orders is an important element in the Council's priority of ensuring a sustainable environment.

10.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no financial implications for the Council.

11.0 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Hadley & Leegomery

12.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

12.1 Borough of Telford & Wrekin (Mulberry tree within the grounds of 8 Manor Road, Hadley, Telford TF1 5PN) Tree Preservation Order 2017

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