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Application for Tree Works: Works to Trees Subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and/or Notification of Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Tree Location

Please provide the address of the site where the tree(s) stands (full address if possible)

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Green Lane

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Hillingdon

Town/city

Northwood

Postcode

HA6 2UY

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is

(for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mrs

First name

Jane

Surname

Wareing

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

1 Green Lane

Address line 2

Address line 3

Hillingdon

Town/City

Northwood

Country

Postcode

HA6 2UY

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes
 No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

***** REDACTED *****

Fax number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Shane

Surname

Lanigan

Company Name

Urban Forestry

Address

Address line 1

Bedmond Bungalow

Address line 2

Bedmond Road

Address line 3

Town/City

Abbots Langley

Country

undefined

Postcode

WD5 0RP

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

***** REDACTED *****

Fax number

***** REDACTED *****

What Are You Applying For?

Based on the type of work proposed and the location and protected status of the trees involved, there are various details and supporting information that will need to be supplied in order for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application.

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order?

Yes
 No

Do you know the Tree Preservation Order reference number(s)?

Yes
 No

Please enter the title or number for each relevant Tree Preservation Order

TPO 481 - T29

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following.

If so, your application MUST be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals ([see guidance notes for further details](#)).

Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall

Yes
 No

Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives.

Yes
 No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area?

Yes
 No

Documents and plans (for any tree)

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works' MUST be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area ([see guidance notes](#)).

It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

Are you providing additional information in support of your application (e.g. an additional schedule of work for the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')?

Yes
 No

If Yes, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application

PLAN AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF TREE AT 'HIGHBEECH', 1 GREEN LANE, NORTHWOOD, MIDDX HA6 2UY - SAL/KMA/20290 – 8TH JUNE 2022

Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

T1 - Weeping beech x 1 - to reduce the length of two parallel growing lateral branches which are now very close to the adjacent property (No. 3 Green Lane) by 5-6m, please note that these are over-extended pendulous branches and therefore the linear metric is not so significant as it might appear, the cut diameter of the pruning point would be around 60 mm, this proposal includes to reduce one further similarly orientated branch by around 5 m as this too, is now encroaching into the curtilage of No. 3. Additionally, I request consent to reduce the three lowest lateral branches that are growing directly toward the rear elevation of No. 1 by about 3 m. The same criteria applies to these branches as it does to those described above.

Reasons: these works are needed because the tree is located within a very small garden and is now preventing Mrs Wareing's enjoyment of her garden. Lateral branches are now encroaching unacceptably into the curtilage of No. 3 and so are now almost in contact with the dwelling house of this property (see photographs 2, 3, 4 & 5).

The council's refusal letter of the previous application notes that the beech is "characterised by its shape with weeping pendulous branches", as all weeping beeches are. Their refusal notice then incorrectly assumes that "The proposed work will considerably lessen (reduce) the height and spread of this appeal (sic) tree and reduce the contribution to the character and appearance of the area". This is erroneous. Only a limited reduction in spread on about one-third of the crown circumference is proposed, and this is limited to the lower crown areas. There is no application to reduce the height at all. The tree will not "appear significantly cut back" and its overall weeping appearance will not be damaged. The council asserts that the proposed works will increase the risk of dieback though provides no evidence to support such a claim. Furthermore, the claim is made, again with no supporting technical evidence, that the long-term health and useful life expectancy of the tree might be affected by the proposed pruning. In actual fact we carried out a similar though probably more extensive pruning operation around 3-4 years ago. The tree suffered no impacts and evidence of the work is now virtually indiscernible. It is testament to the tree's genetic vigour and adaptive vitality that it has regrown strongly, such that it is now causing distress to both Mrs Wareing and her immediate neighbour. The work proposed is simply necessary management to a tree that has hugely outgrown a very restricted location.

You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the Tree Preservation Order where this is available. You should use the same numbering on your sketch plan (see below for sketch plan requirements).

Please provide the following information:

- Tree species
- The number used on the sketch plan; and
- A description of the proposed works.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order you must also provide:

- Reasons for the work; and where trees are being felled
- Proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

e.g. Oak (T3) - fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with one standard ash in same position.

Sketch plan requirements

Your plan needs to show the precise location of the tree(s) in relation to nearby property/roads/boundaries. It should, therefore:

- indicate the main features of the site where the tree(s) stand and its surroundings; in particular, you should:
 - mark and name surrounding roads
 - sketch in buildings, including adjoining properties
 - add house numbers or names
- mark the position of the tree(s) to which you want to carry out work and identify them by the number shown in the Tree Preservation Order where possible; if you use a different number, please make sure that this can be matched with your description of the tree(s)
- if there are many trees on the site, make clear which tree(s) are included in this application by:
 - marking all trees on the plan, but only numbering those to which you want to carry out work
 - showing the approximate distance between the application tree(s) and buildings
 - adding other relevant features on the site (e.g. greenhouse, paths)

If it is impossible to identify the tree(s) accurately on the plan (e.g. because they are part of a woodland or group of trees), please identify their approximate location on the plan and provide details of how the tree(s) are marked on site (e.g. high visibility tape, tree tags, paint, etc); trees must not be marked by scarring or cutting into the bark.

Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

Yes
 No

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

(a) a member of staff
(b) an elected member
(c) related to a member of staff
(d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

Yes
 No

Declaration

I / We hereby apply for Tree works: Trees in conservation areas/subject to TPOs as described in this form and accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I / We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine options of the persons giving them. I / We also accept that: Once submitted, this information will be transmitted to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be made available as part of a public register and on the authority's website; our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Shane Lanigan

Date

08/06/2022