

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Development and Conservation
Control Committee

1st June 2005

AUTHOR/S: Finance and Resources Director

Tree Preservation Order – Longstanton

Recommendation: To confirm without modification

Purpose

1. To review Tree Preservation Order no.05/05/SC, made under delegated powers at Woodside, Longstanton..

Effect on Corporate Objectives

2. Quality, Accessible Services	Not applicable
Village Life	The presence and protection of the natural environment enhances the quality of village life
Sustainability	The presence and protection of trees helps to control pollution levels, and therefore contributes to the Council's commitment to the climate change agenda. Trees provide an important micro habitat for both flora and fauna.
Partnership	Not applicable

Background

3. Once made, Tree Preservation Orders remain in force for a provisional period of six months, but can be confirmed at any time.

Considerations

4. Tree Preservation Order 05/05/SC was made on 28th February 2005. The Schedule of trees is attached at **Appendix 1** and the Plan at **Appendix 2**.
5. The Council made the Tree Preservation Order because the woodland is of visual importance to the local landscape and has been a specific consideration in the current assessment of the Conservation Area review
6. The statutory period for the registering of objections to the Order ended on 4th April 2005.. The two letters of objection are attached at **Appendix 3**. A site visit took place on 17th May 2005, at which the Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman were present together with the Trees and Landscape Officer.

Options

7. Under the legislation, the Council can confirm a Tree Preservation Order, confirm it subject to modification, or decide not to confirm it.

Financial Implications

8. There are no financial implications.

Legal Implications

9. There are no legal implications.

Staffing Implications

10. There are no staffing implications.

Risk Management Implications

11. There are no risk management implications.

Conclusion

12. TPO number 05/94/SC remains provisionally in force until 27th August 2005.. By confirming it now, the Council will ensure that the Tree Preservation Order remains in force beyond that date. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Development and Conservation Control Committee agreed with the Trees and Landscape Officer that the Order should be confirmed without modification.

Recommendations

13. It is **recommended** that Tree Preservation Order 05/05/SC in Longstanton be confirmed without modification..

Background Papers: the following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

- Tree Preservation Order no. 05/05/SC In Longstanton and the relevant file maintained by the Trees and Landscape Section
- Letter dated 3rd March 2005 from Mr and Mrs J Waters
- Letter dated 25th March 2005 from the Trustees of Mrs AM Parker (dec'd)

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