#### SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**REPORT TO:** Development and Conservation

Control Committee

**AUTHOR/S:** Finance and Resources Director

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# Tree Preservation Orders - Fen Ditton, Fowlmere and Papworth Everard

# Recommendation: To confirm without modification

# **Purpose**

1. To review Tree Preservation Order nos.09, 10 and 11 of 2004.

# **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**

- 09/04/SC Ermine House, Papworth Everard
- 4. Tree Preservation Order 09/04/SC was made on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2004 under delegated powers. A plan and Schedule of trees are attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 5. The Council made the Tree Preservation Order to retain the trees, which comprise the significant woodland area, visually enhancing the area and local environment while providing a visual buffer to the property
- 6. The statutory period for the registering of objections to the Order ended on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2004. There were no objections. Councillors MP Howell and NIC Wright (local Members) have been consulted and are both in favour of confirming this Tree Preservation Order.
  - 10/04/SC 2 Wrights Close, Fen Ditton
- 7. Tree Preservation Order 10/04/SC was made on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2004 under delegated powers. A plan and Schedule of trees are attached at **Appendix 2**.

- 8. The Council made the Tree Preservation Order because the birch tree is considered an important feature of the local area and environment, and was also the reason for refusal of a recent planning application.
- 9. The statutory period for the registering of objections to the Order ended on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2005.. There were no objections. Councillor R Turner (local Member) has been consulted.
  - 11/04/SC Land at the Elms, Lynch Lane, Fowlmere
- 10. Tree Preservation Order 11/04/SC was made on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2004 under delegated powers. A plan and Schedule of trees are attached at **Appendix 3**.
- 11. The Council made the Tree Preservation Order because the group of two Field Maple and one Walnut trees are relevant to a current planning application subject to negotiation and add intrinsic value to the street scene
- 12. The statutory period for the registering of objections to the Order ended on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2005.. There were no objections. Councillor Mrs DP Roberts (local Member) has been consulted and is in favour of confirming this Tree Preservation Order.

# **Options**

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

#### **Financial Implications**

14. There are no financial implications.

# **Legal Implications**

15. There are no legal implications.

## Staffing Implications

16. There are no staffing implications.

#### **Risk Management Implications**

17. There are no risk management implications.

# Conclusion

18. TPO number 09/94/SC remains provisionally in force until 4<sup>th</sup> May 2005. TPO numbers 10/04/SC and 11/04/SC remain provisionally in force until 24<sup>th</sup> May 2005. By confirming them now, the Council will ensure that the Tree Preservation Orders remain in force beyond those dates.

#### Recommendations

19. It is **recommended** that Tree Preservation Orders 09/04/SC in Papworth Everard, 10/04/SC in Fen Ditton and 11/04/SC in Fowlmere be confirmed without modification..

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

 Tree Preservation Order nos. 09/04/SC In Papworth Everard, 10/04/SC in Fen Ditton and 11/04/SC in Fowlmere and the relevant files maintained by Section

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