PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE 10 October 2011

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (TREES) REGULATIONS 1999 SUMMARY

This report seeks to confirm the Tree Preservation Order placed on the tree specified in this report.

REPORT

The trees are located at: Southwood Hall, 1 – 35 Wood Lane N6

Species: T1: Common Oak, T2: Common Oak

Location: Front of 1 - 35

Condition: Fair

The Council's Arboriculturalist has reported as follows:

A Tree Preservation Order should be attached on the following grounds:

- 1. The trees are of high amenity value, being visible from a public place.
- 2. The trees appear healthy for their species and age, and has a predicted life expectancy in excess of 100 years.
- 3. The trees are native species, suitable to the location and contribute significantly to local bio-diversity.
- 1 letter of support was received from 21 Wood Lane N6
- 1 objection letter received from 17 Wood Lane N6 as follows:
 - The tree being publicly visible does not warrant Tree Preservation Orders
 - The trees are under good arboricultural management and therefore do not warrant Tree Preservation Orders

The Council Arboricultural Manager has commented on these objections as follows:

- The trees are large mature specimens, of good form and are clearly visible to local residents and members of the public
- The trees are of high landscape value and their removal or disfigurement would have a detrimental effect on the character of the conservation area
- Due to the trees age and size, they create an important habitat for a variety of local wildlife, including invertebrates, birds and mammals, increasing local

bio-diversity

 The trees can be managed in future by regular pruning to reduce the risk of damage to nearby buildings and also to allow sufficient light to filter through to the surround gardens and living spaces within the adjacent properties on Wood Lane

Taking into accounts the comments of the Arboricultural Manager the Planning Committee is recommended to confirm the Tree Preservation Order.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Tree Preservation Order upon the aforementioned trees under Section 198 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 be confirmed.

Paul Smith

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