

TREE EVALUATION METHOD FOR PRESERVATION ORDERS - TEMPO

SURVEY DATA SHEET & DECISION GUIDE

Date: 13th June 2017 Surveyor: B J Harverson

Tree details

Tree No: T1

Species: Corsican Pine *Pinus nigra* 'Maritima'

Owner: Mr R Gale

Location: front garden of No 131 Manor Way, Aldwick

REFER TO GUIDANCE NOTE FOR ALL DEFINITIONS

Part 1: Amenity assessment

a) Condition & suitability for TPO; where trees in good or fair condition have poor form, deduct 1 point

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| 5) Good | Highly suitable |
| 3) Fair | Suitable |
| 1) Poor | Unlikely to be suitable |
| 0) Dead/dying/dangerous* | Unsuitable |

Score & Notes

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* Relates to existing context and is intended to apply to severe irremediable defects only

b) Retention span (in years) & suitability for TPO

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| 5) 100+ | Highly suitable |
| 4) 40-100 | Very suitable |
| 2) 20-40 | Suitable |
| 1) 10-20 | Just suitable |
| 0) <10* | Unsuitable |

Score & Notes

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*Includes trees which are an existing or near future nuisance, including those clearly outgrowing their context, or which are significantly negating the potential of other trees of better quality

c) Relative public visibility & suitability for TPO

Consider realistic potential for future visibility with changed land use

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| 5) Very large trees with some visibility, or prominent large trees | Highly suitable |
| 4) Large trees, or medium trees clearly visible to the public | Suitable |
| 3) Medium trees, or large trees with limited view only | Suitable |
| 2) Young, small, or medium/large trees visible only with difficulty | Barely suitable |
| 1) Trees not visible to the public, regardless of size | Probably unsuitable |

Score & Notes

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d) Other factors

Trees must have accrued 7 or more points (with no zero score) to qualify

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| 5) Principal components of arboricultural features, or veteran trees |
| 4) Tree groups, or members of groups important for their cohesion |
| 3) Trees with identifiable historic, commemorative or habitat importance |
| 2) Trees of particularly good form, especially if rare or unusual |
| 1) Trees with none of the above additional redeeming features (inc. those of indifferent form) |

Score & Notes

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Part 2: Expediency assessment

Trees must have accrued 9 or more points to qualify

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| 5) Immediate threat to tree |
| 3) Foreseeable threat to tree |
| 2) Perceived threat to tree |
| 1) Precautionary only |

Score & Notes

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If we do not TPO it, it will be removed by the owner

Part 3: Decision guide

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| Any 0 | Do not apply TPO |
| 1-6 | TPO indefensible |
| 7-11 | Does not merit TPO |
| 12-15 | TPO defensible |
| 16+ | Definitely merits TPO |

Add Scores for Total:

18

Decision:

Definitely merits a TPO

Planning Officer: Richard Temple

Planning Application Ref: AW/133/17/TC

Location: 131 Manor Way, Aldwick

Description of works: Fell 1 No Corsican Pine

Applicants Reasons The tree is unbalanced and of low amenity value – has deadwood in it – is cramping the growth of a neighbouring tree of greater value-it will never regain its natural shape and character.

Comments On Application:

Corsican Pine *Pinus nigra 'Maritima'* Height : 10m Avge Spread : 5m Age : Early mature

- A tree of squat form due to previous topping out works.
- This has stunted its growth potential but all trees are of perfect shape and form and this tree has its own character and being healthy it does have value in enhancing the Conservation Area.
- It is prominent and highly visible in the street scene.
- Deadwood is typical for a tree of this age and species that is exposed to strong saline winds and can readily be removed if this is deemed necessary – it is not therefore an indicator of ill health.

Conclusions:

- This tree is sound and healthy and has character and in my opinion is of high visual amenity value enhancing the Conservation Area and would be greatly missed in the landscape.

Recommendations:

- The works are not necessary or acceptable and I therefore suggest that this tree is made the subject of a Tree Preservation Order to recognise its merit in the landscape and to be in a position to be able to exercise control over its future management.
- A TEMPO form is attached in support of this recommendation.

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