

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Planning & Highways Committee Report

| Report of: | Director of City Growth Service | |
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| Date: | 29/10/18 | |
| Subject: | Tree Preservation Order No. 424 (124 Causeway Head Road, Sheffield, OS Grid Reference SK 430518 381758) | |
| Author of Report: | Nathan McWhinnie, Urban and Environmental Design Team | |
| Summary: | To seek confirmation of Tree Preservation Orders No. 424 | |
| Reasons for Recomme | ndation To protect trees of visual amenity value to the locality | |
| Recommendation | Tree Preservation Order No. 424 should be confirmed unmodified. | |
| Background Papers: | A) Tree Preservation Order No. and map attached. B) Tree Evaluation Method for Preservation Orders (TEMPO) assessment attached. | |
| Category of Report: | OPEN | |
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TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 424 124 CAUSEWAY HEAD ROAD, SHEFFIELD S17 3DW

- 1.0 PURPOSE
- 1.1 To seek confirmation of Tree Preservation Order No. 424
- 2.0 BACKGROUND
- 2.1 Tree Preservation Order No.424 was made on 12th September 2018 to protect two mature oak trees at the rear of the property, overhanging Parkers Lane. A copy of the order with its accompanying map is attached as Appendix A.
- 2.2 The trees at the site were considered to be under possible threat because of potential future development works. A Tree Evaluation Method for Preservation Orders (TEMPO) assessment was carried out prior to serving the Order. These trees were found to be in good order. It was therefore considered expedient to make a Tree Preservation Order to protect trees in the interests of amenity.
- 2.3 The site is located in a semi-rural area of the city which nevertheless has relatively few large mature trees in the immediate vicinity, making their retention particularly important.
- 2.4 No objections to the order have been received.
- 3.0 VISUAL AMENITY ASSESSMENT
- 3.1 The trees are well-established specimens, providing significant visual amenity and maturity to the site. Their value is in preserving the treescape and the semi-rural character of the area.
- 4.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS
- 4.1 There are no equal opportunities implications.
- 5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1 There are no environmental and property implications based on the information provided.
- 5.2 Protection of the trees detailed in Tree Preservation Order No.424 will benefit the visual amenity of the local environment and retain the benefits of pollution filtration the trees provide.
- 6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no financial implications.
- 7.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS
- 7.1 A local authority may make a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) where it appears that it is expedient in the interests of amenity to make provision for the preservation of trees or woodlands in their area (section 198, Town and Country Planning Act 1990).
- 7.2 A TPO may prohibit the cutting, topping, lopping or uprooting of the trees which are the subject of the order. It may also prohibit the wilful damage or destruction of those trees. Any person who contravenes a TPO shall be guilty of an offence and liable to receive a fine of up to £20,000.
- 7.3 The local authority may choose to confirm a TPO it has made. If an order is confirmed, it will continue to have legal effect until such point as it is revoked. If an order is not confirmed, it will expire and cease to have effect 6 months after it was originally made.
- 7.4 A local authority may only confirm an order after considering any representations made in respect of that order. No such representations have been received in respect of Tree Preservation Order No.424.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION
- 8.1 Recommend Tree Preservation Order No.424 be confirmed.

Rob Murfin, Chief Planning Officer

29th October 2018

Tree Preservation Order

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

The Tree Preservation Order No 424 (2018)

124 Causeway Head Road, Sheffield, S17 3DW

The Sheffield City Council, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 198 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 make the following Order—

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as Tree Preservation Order No 424 (2018) – 124 Causeway Head Road, Sheffield, S17 3DW

Interpretation

- 2. (1) In this Order "the authority" means the Sheffield City Council.
 - (2) In this Order any reference to a numbered section is a reference to the section so numbered in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and any reference to a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation so numbered in the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation)(England) Regulations 2012.

Effect

- 3. (1) Subject to article 4, this Order takes effect provisionally on the date on which it is made.
 - (2) Without prejudice to subsection (7) of section 198 (power to make tree preservation orders) or subsection (1) of section 200 (tree preservation orders: Forestry Commissioners) and, subject to the exceptions in regulation 14, no person shall—
 - (a) cut down, top, lop, uproot, wilfully damage, or wilfully destroy; or
 - (b) cause or permit the cutting down, topping, lopping, uprooting, wilful damage or wilful destruction of,

any tree specified in the Schedule to this Order except with the written consent of the authority in accordance with regulations 16 and 17, or of the Secretary of State in accordance with regulation 23, and, where such consent is given subject to conditions, in accordance with those conditions.

Application to trees to be planted pursuant to a condition

4. In relation to any tree identified in the first column of the Schedule by the letter "C", being a tree to be planted pursuant to a condition imposed under paragraph (a) of section 197 (planning permission to include appropriate provision for preservation and planting of trees), this Order takes effect as from the time when the tree is planted.

EXECUTED AS A DEED
By Sheffield City Council
whose common seal was
hereunto affixed in the presence of

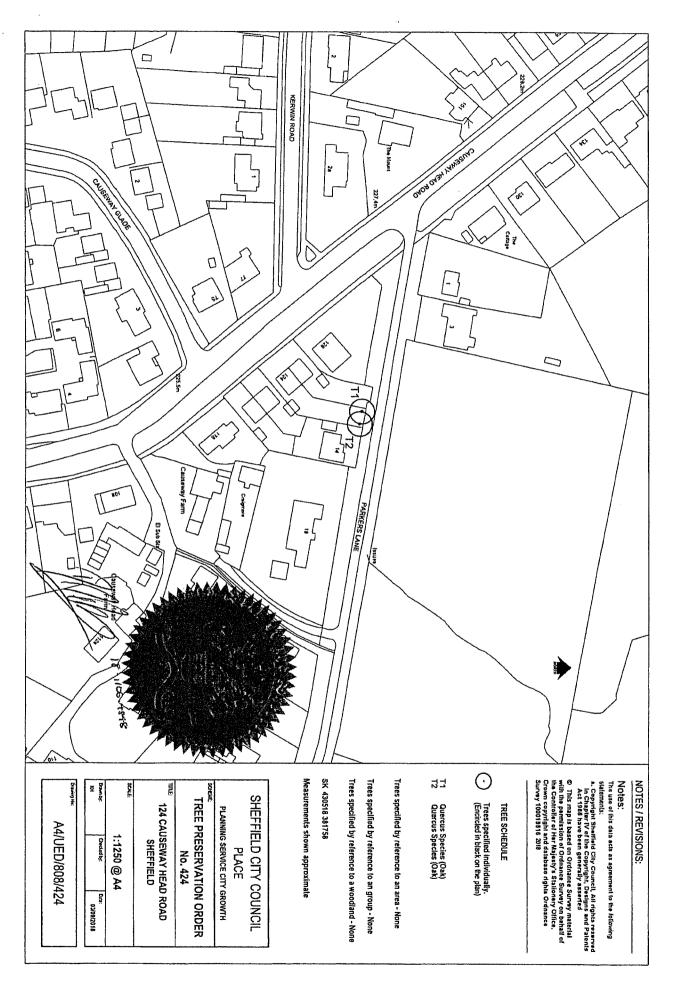
SCHEDULE

Specification of trees

Trees specified individually

(encircled in black on the map)

| Description Quercus robur (English Oak) Quercus robur (English Oak) | Situation OS Grid Reference: SK 430518 381758 SK 430518 381758 | |
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| Oak) Quercus robur (English | SK 430518 381758 | |
| Quercus robur (English | | |
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| Trees specified by reference to | an area | |
| (within a dotted red line on the map) | | |
| Description | Situation | |
| Groups of trees (within a broken black line on th | ne map) | |
| Description (including number of trees of each species in the group) | g Situation | |
| Woodlands (within a continuous black line on | the map) | |
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TREE EVALUATION METHOD FOR PRESERVATION ORDERS (TEMPO):

SURVEY DATA SHEET & DECISION GUIDE

Date: 30/8/18 Surveyor: Nathan McWhinnie

Tree details

TPO Ref: Tree/Group No: Species: Oak

Owner (if known):

Location: Rear garden of 124 Causeway Head Road, on Parkers Lane roadside

Part 1: Amenity assessment

a) Condition & suitability for TPO:

Refer to Guidance Note for definitions

5) Good Highly suitable

3) Fair Suitable

1) Poor Unlikely to be suitable Unsuitable

0) Dead/Dying?Dangerous

Score & Notes

5 - the smaller of the trees has some old bark wounds at the base, now occluded, but both crowns are in full

b) Remaining longevity (in years) & suitability for TPO:

Refer to 'Species Guide' section in Guidance Note

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

Score & Notes

4 - the trees are no more than 60-70 years old, I estimate, so could live for a couple more centuries, but one or both may outgrow their context by then. May have been planted when the houses were built - in the 1950s?

c) Relative public visibility & suitability for TPO:

Consider realistic potential for future visibility with changed land use; refer to Guidance Note

5) Very large trees, or large trees that are prominent landscape features. Highly suitable

4) Large trees, or medium trees clearly visible to the public 3) Medium trees, or larger trees with limited view only 2) Small trees, or larger trees visible only with difficulty

Just suitable Unlikely to be suitable

Suitable

1) Young, v. small, or trees not visible to the public, regardless of size Probably unsuitable

Score & Notes

3 - in their early middle years, so not yet large for the species

d) Other factors

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

- 5) Principal components of arboricultural features, or veteran trees
- 4) Members of groups of trees 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

Score & Notes

Part 2: Expediency assessment

Trees must have accrued 9 or more points to qualify; refer to Guidance Note

- Known threat to tree
- 3) Foreseeable threat to tree
- 2) Perceived threat to tree
- 1) Precautionary only
- 0) Tree known to be an actionable nuisance

Score & Notes

5 - pre-app submitted to build a bungalow in the back garden

Part 3: Decision guide

Do not apply TPO Any 0 1-6 TPO indefensible 7-10 Does not merit TPO 11-14 TPO defensible 15+ Definitely merits TPO

Add Scores for Total:

18

Decision:

Definitely merits TPO

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

^{*}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

