

## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

# Planning & Highways Committee Report

Report of:	Director of City Growth Service
Date:	23 April 2019
Subject:	Tree Preservation Order No.426 36 Thornsett Road, Sheffield S7 1NB
Author of Report:	Jez Platts, Urban and Environmental Design Team
Summary:	To seek confirmation of Tree Preservation Orders No. 426
Reasons for Recomme	ndation  To protect two trees of visual amenity value to the locality
Recommendations	Tree Preservation Orders No. 426 should be confirmed.
Background Papers:	A) Tree Preservation Orders No. 426 and map attached B) Tree Evaluation Method for Preservation Orders (TEMPO) assessment for TPO 426.

## TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 426 36 THORNSETT ROAD, SHEFFIELD, S7 1NB

- 1.0 PURPOSE
- 1.1 To seek confirmation of Tree Preservation Order No. 426.
- 2.0 BACKGROUND
- 2.1 Tree Preservation Order No.426 was made on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to protect a Beech tree and Sycamore tree located in the rear garden of 36 Thornsett Road. A copy of the order with its accompanying map is attached as Appendix A.
- 2.2 The trees were under possible threat of removal as a section 211 Notice proposing works to remove the trees was received.
- 2.3 I conducted a condition inspection of the trees and found both trees to be in normal health. No significant defects and obvious health and safety reasons requiring major intervention were found. A TEMPO assessment was carried out following the inspection and supported the protection of the trees.
- 2.4 No objections to the order have been received.
- 3.0 VISUAL AMENITY ASSESSMENT
- 3.1 The Beech & Sycamore trees are seen as being visually prominent and of significant amenity value when viewed from Sharrow Lane and Huntingdon Crescent. They are considered to contribute to the visual amenity value of the Nether Edge conservation area.
- 3.2 A Tree Evaluation Method for Preservation Orders (TEMPO) assessment was carried out by the Planning Tree Officer and is attached as Appendix B. The assessment produced a clear recommendation for protection.
- 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.426 will benefit the visual amenity of the local environment.
- 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.426.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION
- 8.1 Recommend Provisional Tree Preservation Order No.426 be confirmed.

Rob Murfin, Chief Planning Officer

18<sup>th</sup> December 2018

### Tree Preservation Order

## **Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

## The Tree Preservation Order No 426 (2018)

## 36 Thornsett Road & Sharrow Lane, Sheffield S7 1NB

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 426 (2018) – 36 Thornsett Road & Sharrow Lane, Sheffield S7 1NB

## 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.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018

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

SHRAH BENNETT

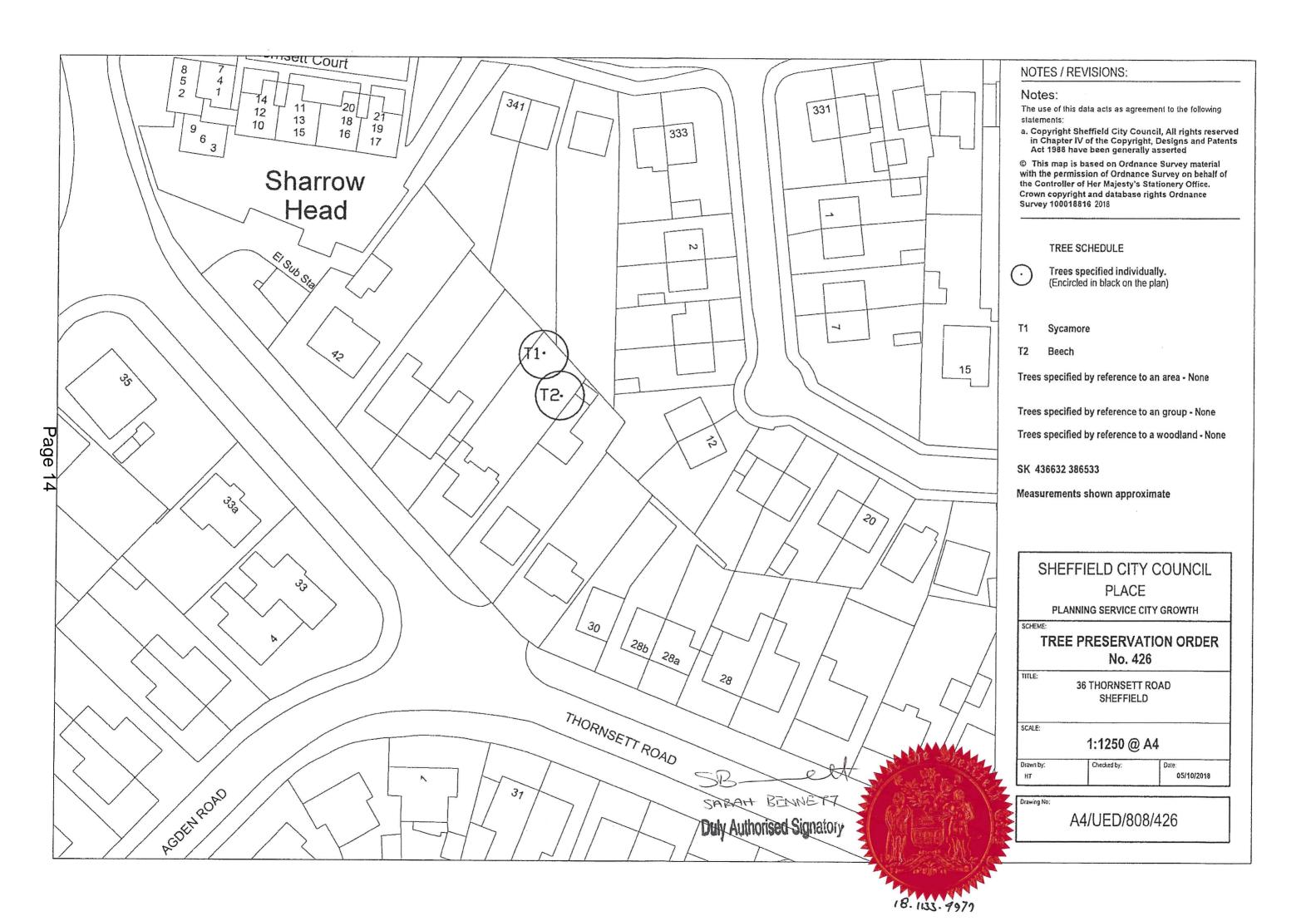
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## **SCHEDULE**

## Specification of trees Trees specified individually

(encircled in black on the map)

Reference on map	Description .	Situation
T1	Sycamore (Platanus)	OS Grid Reference: SK436632 386533
T2	Beech (Fagus)	
	Trees specified by reference to	an area
	(within a dotted red line on the	map)
Reference on map	Description	Situation
Reference on map	Groups of trees  (within a broken black line on the Description (including number of trees of each species in the group)	e map) Situation
	Woodlands	
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## TREE EVALUATION METHOD FOR PRESERVATION ORDERS (TEMPO):

### SURVEY DATA SHEET & DECISION GUIDE

Date: 12/9/18 Surveyor: Jez Platts Tree details TPO Ref: Tree/Group No: Species: Beech & Sycamore Owner (if known): Location: Rear garden of 36 Thornsett Road

#### Part 1: Amenity assessment

#### a) Condition & suitability for TPO:

Refer to Guidance Note for definitions

Highly suitable 5) Good 3) Fair Suitable 1) Poor Unlikely to be suitable

0) Dead/Dying?Dangerous

Unsuitable

Score & Notes

3 - Both crowns have full vitality. Beech is twinstemmed with a fair union.

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 Just suitable 0) < 10Unsuitable

Score & Notes

4

## 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 Suitable 3) Medium trees, or larger trees with limited view only Just suitable

2) Small trees, or larger trees visible only with difficulty Unlikely to be suitable

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

**Score & Notes** 4 - large trees visible from Sharrow Lane and Huntingdon

## 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

- 5) 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 - section 211 notice received

## Part 3: Decision guide

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

Add Scores for Total:

17

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Decision:

Definitely merits TPO

<sup>\*</sup> Relates to existing context and is intended to apply to severe irremediable defects only

<sup>\*</sup>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

