



17th September 2021

Democratic services – 3FL
North Tyneside Council
Quadrant
The Silverlink North
Cobalt Business Park
North Tyneside
NE27 0BY

Tree Preservation Order - 

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed a copy of an email sent to you yesterday (16-9-21) which included a previous email sent to Cathy Davidson on 9-9-21.

Unfortunately, the email encountered problems in its delivery to you and therefore I have decided to post it to you.

For the reasons detailed in the emails, I would ask that the TPO is not made permanent.

Yours Faithfully





Tree Preservation Order

Thu, Sep 16, 2021 at 2:30 PM

To: "democraticsupport@northtyneside.gov.uk" <democraticsupport@northtyneside.gov.uk>

Dear Sirs,

I write with regard to the Tree Preservation Order that has been made on the Ash tree at my property at [REDACTED]

I understand that the TPO has been raised at the request of Cathy Davidson. I emailed Cathy on the 9th September (copy attached below) to request that the TPO be removed but have not yet received a reply.

Further to the Landscape Architect comments on my planning application, I employed an Arboriculturist Consultancy who issued a report on the tree which concluded that the tree has Ash die back and should be removed.

Cathy has acknowledged that the tree shows signs of dieback but requested that I continue to monitor the tree which I have done. I requested a meeting with her to discuss the differing opinions on the tree in June but unfortunately this did not take place.

I have employed a further Arboriculturist Consultancy to provide a second opinion on the condition of the Ash tree and when this is received, I will forward it to Cathy see if an agreement can be reached on the health of this tree.

I would note that I have fully complied with a previous 18/01401TREECA application and have done everything requested by the Landscape Architect on the current planning application and since.

Our Property is in a Conservation area and our Ash tree is therefore already protected, I do not see why it is necessary to raise a further TPO on this tree.

Should you wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to call me on [REDACTED]

Regards



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Tree Preservation Order

Thu, Sep 9, 2021 at 4:29 PM

To: Cathy Davidson <Cathy.Davidson@northtyneside.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Cathy,

I appreciate that our property is in a conservation area and that therefore, the Ash tree was already protected even before the recent TPO was made. I would note that in the past I have made and had approved application 18/01401/TREECA before attempting to do anything to the tree.

I have also looked to comply with the planning application 20/01150/FULH requirements and employed Woodsman Consultancy to produce an Arboriculture management report. In this report, they conclude that the tree has Ash dieback and that it should be removed.

In your comments on our planning application, you acknowledged that the tree exhibits signs of die back but note that this could be due to other causes, including root damage and soil compaction etc. because of this, not only have I not attempted to commence any work on the extension, I do not even park our car on the drive in case it might be thought to be the cause of any further deterioration to the tree.

As per my previous email to you of the 2nd July 2021, I tried to request a meeting with you, the Planner and the Arboroculturist in June to see if the tree could be discussed and a consensus reached on its condition and also to see if it would be permissible to undertake a trial pit to investigate the depth of the existing foundations, to try and establish what was causing the structural damage, to check the condition of drainage that must run adjacent to the corner of the garage and to establish the extent of the tree roots.

I spoke to Kimberly Harwood and was told that you would not visit site and that I would need to apply for the conditions to be discharged, which I did. This appears to have now resulted in the TPO being raised.

I do not wish to lose the tree but our neighbours have written to raise their concerns that the tree is dangerous and to advise that they will hold us responsible for any damage it may cause. It will be problematic if the tree does cause damage and a report that advises that it should be removed has been ignored.

I am looking to employ a further Arboriculturalist to get a second opinion on the condition of the Ash tree.

I would appreciate it if the TPO could be removed as it is not necessary and I would hope that as part of your request for us to undertake ongoing monitoring of the tree, it would be possible for you to meet with the Arboriculturalist in order to agree the trees condition and to establish a benchmark against which any further deterioration may be measured and also to discuss if it is possible for the investigation works which I wish to undertake to be progressed.

I would be grateful if you could advise and should you wish to discuss further, please do not hesitate to call [REDACTED]

Regards
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