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## Application for Tree Works: Works to Trees Subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and/or Notification of Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

### Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

#### Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

### Tree Location

Please provide the address of the site where the tree(s) stands (full address if possible)

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is

(for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

## Applicant Details

### Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Joseph

Surname

Barry

Company Name

### Address

Address line 1

Meadow House

Address line 2

2A Meadow View

Address line 3

Thongsbridge

Town/City

Holmfirth

County

Country

Postcode

HD9 7SY

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

### Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

## What Are You Applying For?

Based on the type of work proposed and the location and protected status of the trees involved, there are various details and supporting information that will need to be supplied in order for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application.

### Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order?

- Yes  
 No

Do you know the Tree Preservation Order reference number(s)?

- Yes  
 No

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following.

If so, your application MUST be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals ([see guidance notes for further details](#)).

Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall

- Yes  
 No

If Yes, you are required to provide written aboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert.

Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives.

- Yes  
 No

### Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area?

- Yes  
 No

### Documents and plans (for any tree)

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works' MUST be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area ([see guidance notes](#)).

It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

Are you providing additional information in support of your application (e.g. an additional schedule of work for the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')?

- Yes  
 No

## Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out

I have a Sycamore tree with a TPO, understood to be labelled T9 on the attached plan. In 2021 the adjacent tree labelled as T8 was approved for felling due to disease.

I recently asked Patrick Gibson (Arborist) to view the remaining tree as I was concerned about the tree health, and the significant movement of the overhanging branches in windy weather.

I have received a letter from my neighbour whose garage is underneath the large overhanging branches which I have attached copies of for your consideration. 4 files 'A Johnson letter....'

The remaining Sycamore tree with the TPO, on inspection by Patrick Gibson:

A - has an imbalanced crown with substantial branches extending many metres out and above garages/garden shed/patio of neighbours property. I have enclosed labelled photographs of the tree I would like permission to work on, showing severe overhanging branches. 3 photographs 'TPO tree showing severe overhang.....'

B - is showing signs of distress (blistering) throughout main trunk/branches and is shedding substantially more bark than it has done in the past. It also has dark patches in some parts of the trunk - possibly early sign of sully bark, but not confirmed. Finally, it is approx 3.5m from the stump of a previously infected Sycamore showing Kretzmaria bloom on the old stump, which I understand could be spreading into the tree in question via soil, water or possibly via the air. It's close proximity increases this concern as does a number of small 5-6 ft long branches that have fallen off the tree recently; one of which is trapped high up on a branch.

C - my neighbours Sycamore tree, 24 months or so ago had a major branch failure/collapse into my & another neighbours garden, fortunately only fences/patio were damaged as it collapsed at night, but this shows the possibility of major branch collapse is real in this environment. 3 files 'neighbours tree indicating 8-10 branch failure'

Given all the above risks/issues I would like to:

- 1 - Complete a crown reduction on overhanging branches & remove branches on main trunk below 4M from the ground. This should reduce the overhang of adjacent garage/shed/patio area and avoid risk of collapse on to adjacent properties, given the concerns about the tree's health
- 2- Alternatively, reduce the crowns associated with the branches below 4M from the ground
- 3 - Discuss with you what other options you feel would be suitable given the concerns

You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the Tree Preservation Order where this is available. You should use the same numbering on your sketch plan (see below for sketch plan requirements).

Please provide the following information:

- Tree species
- The number used on the sketch plan; and
- A description of the proposed works.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order you must also provide:

- Reasons for the work; and where trees are being felled
- Proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

e.g. Oak (T3) – Whole crown reduction to 12m above ground level, to provide sufficient clearance to property.

### Sketch plan requirements

Your plan needs to show the precise location of the tree(s) in relation to nearby property/roads/boundaries. It should, therefore:

- indicate the main features of the site where the tree(s) stand and its surroundings; in particular, you should:
  - mark and name surrounding roads
  - sketch in buildings, including adjoining properties
  - add house numbers or names
- mark the position of the tree(s) to which you want to carry out work and identify them by the number shown in the Tree Preservation Order where possible; if you use a different number, please make sure that this can be matched with your description of the tree(s)
- if there are many trees on the site, make clear which tree(s) are included in this application by:
  - marking all trees on the plan, but only numbering those to which you want to carry out work
  - showing the approximate distance between the application tree(s) and buildings
  - adding other relevant features on the site (e.g. greenhouse, paths)

If it is impossible to identify the tree(s) accurately on the plan (e.g. because they are part of a woodland or group of trees), please identify their approximate location on the plan and provide details of how the tree(s) are marked on site (e.g. high visibility tape, tree tags, paint, etc); trees must not be marked by scarring or cutting into the bark.

### Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

- Yes  
 No

### Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
- (b) an elected member
- (c) related to a member of staff
- (d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

- Yes  
 No

### Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Tree works: Trees in conservation areas/subject to TPOs as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Joseph Barry

Date

03/09/2024