

**Tree Work Application Decision Notices**

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
Town & Country Planning (Tree Preservation)(England) Regulations 2012

NOTICE OF REFUSAL OF CONSENT TO FELL AND/OR PRUNE

Application Number: 2025/90665

In pursuance of its powers under the above-mentioned Act and Regulations and the Tree Preservation Order made by the Kirklees Metropolitan Council (hereinafter called 'the Council') as Local Planning Authority and pursuant to the application submitted to the Council on 10-Mar-2025: -

THE COUNCIL HEREBY **REFUSES** TO CONSENT TO THE CARRYING OUT OF THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS TO THE PROTECTED TREE(S) TPO No. 12/75/a10

At: 9, Wells Green Gardens, Netherthong, Holmfirth, HD9 3HP

Works as described in the submitted application.

The **REASONS** for the Council's decision to refuse to grant consent are:

1. The tree appeared to have an open canopy, it did not appear dense or crowded to justify the crown thinning proposed; an operation which reduces the overall leaf material thus reducing a tree's ability to combat any infections and opening many small wounds throughout the crown. Consequently, the proposed works may promote infection and decay, adversely affecting the tree's long-term health.

2. Crown thinning would not prevent a tree from losing branches in the storms.
3. Falling branches are a safety hazard. However, in the absence of a systematic tree survey, and based on what I have seen, I am not persuaded that the regular cleaning out of deadwood would fail to reduce the risk of such incidents to a safe level.

1.

Should you wish to initiate an appeal, you should do so within 28 days of receipt of the notice. Appeals must be made using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>. Further information on the Planning Appeal process can be found online at the Planning Inspectorates website <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate>.

2.

Subject to the provision of the Tree Preservation Order, any person who has suffered loss or damage in consequence of any refusal (including revocation or modification) of consent under the Order or of any grant of any such consent subject to conditions shall, if he/she makes a claim within the time and in the manner prescribed by the Order, be entitled to recover from the Council compensation in respect of such loss or damage, provided that no compensation shall be payable in respect of loss or damage suffered by reason of such refusal or grant of consent in the case of any tree the subject of a certificate in accordance with Article 5 of the Order

In assessing compensation so payable, account shall be taken of:

- a) Any compensation or contribution which has been paid whether to the claimant or any other person in respect of the same trees under the terms of the said or any other Tree Preservation Order under section 29 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1962, or under section 203 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, or under the terms of any Interim Preservation Order made under section 8 of the Town and Country Planning (Interim Department) Act 1943, or any compensation which has been paid or could have been claimed under any provision relating to the preservation of trees or protection of woodlands contained in an operative scheme under the Town and Country Planning Act 1932; and
- b) Any injurious affection to any land of the owner which would result from the felling of trees subject of the claim.

A claim for compensation under the Order shall be in writing and shall be made by serving it on the Council, such service to be effected by delivering the claim at the offices of the Council addressed to the proper Officer thereof or by sending it by prepaid post so addressed, within 12 months from the date of the decision of the Council, or of the Secretary of State against the decision of the Council from the date of the decision of the Secretary of State on the appeal.

Any questions or disputed compensation will be determined in accordance with the provisions of section 179 of the Act (or as amended).

Dated: 26-Mar-2025

Signed:



David Shepherd
Strategic Director Growth and Regeneration

If you have any questions about the above decision then please contact the application's Case Officer Jack Dunn quoting application number 2025/90665 via one of the following methods:

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