

MAIN CASE

Proposal: Confirmation of Tree Preservation Order E/05/10

Location: Grounds of 46 Market Street, Fordham, Cambs.

Applicant: N/A

Agent: N/A

Reference No: TPO/E/05/10

Case Officer: Cathy White, Trees Officer

Parish: Fordham

Ward: Fordham

Ward Councillors: Councillor Abbott
& Councillor Michael Allan

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1.0 **THE ISSUE**

1.1 To confirm a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) for 24 individual trees and 7 separate groups of trees within the grounds of 46 Market Street, Fordham. This matter is being referred to the Committee, as there is a requirement to confirm the TPO within six months to ensure the trees are protected for public amenity.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 The trees contribute to the biodiversity and green infrastructure of the locality and include a number of unusual tree species. Although there is an Area TPO from 1967 that applies to the site, this earlier TPO would not include trees planted after 1967. The new TPO serves to clarify and protect the trees planted after 1967, at the request of the owners. It is recommended that this unopposed TPO be confirmed, without modifications, as no objections were received in the 28 days consultation period that ended on 4th October 2010.

3.0 **COSTS**

If a TPO is made and confirmed, then subsequent applications made for tree works would carry with them an opportunity to claim compensation if, as a result of the Council's decision, the applicant suffers any loss or damage within 12 months of that decision being made.

4.0 **BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 The owners of the trees requested a tree preservation order for the specimen trees in the grounds of their property, as the trees include a number of unusual tree species. After selling their property, they wished to ensure these trees would be fully considered in relation to any development of the site, should this be proposed in the future.

The trees are visible to the public from the main road and surrounding gardens. The trees contribute to the setting of house and grounds, and to the tree cover in this location.

- 4.2 To recognise the significant contribution these trees make to the local landscape, a TPO was served under Section 201 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990. The TPO was made on 3rd September 2010 and after the statutory consultation period, requires confirmation within six months.
- 4.3 No objections were received during the statutory consultation period.

5.0 **CONCLUSIONS**

- 5.1 The TPO is unopposed and should be confirmed, without modifications. This will ensure the trees listed in the TPO schedule in Appendix 1 are protected and fully considered in relation to any proposed development of the site in the future. The TPO status gives recognition of the visual importance of the trees and the positive contribution the trees make to the character of the area.

<u>Background Documents</u>	<u>Location(s)</u>	<u>Contact Officer(s)</u>
TPO E/05/10 Town & Country Planning Act 1990 Town & Country Planning (Trees) Regulations 1999 DETR Tree Preservation Orders A Guide to the Law and Good Practice (March 2000) East Cambridgeshire District Local Plan 2000 and TPO records	Room No. 013 The Grange Ely	Cathy White Trees Officer 01353 665555 cathy.white@eastcambs.gov.uk

**Appendix 1. List of individual trees and tree groups for TPO E/05/10
46 Market Street, Fordham.**

T1 – Cedar	T2 – Coast Redwood
T3 – Wellingtonia	T4 – Turkey Oak
T5 – Yew	T6 – Fernleaved Beech
T7 – Catalpa	T8 – Corsican Pine
T9 – Catalpa fargesii	T10 - Judas Tree
T11 – Silver Lime	T12 - Holly
T13 – Pride of India (Koelreuteria paniculata)	T14 – Cappadocian Maple (Acer cappadocicum)
T15 – Beech	T16 – Beech
T17 – Beech	T18 – Beech
T19 – Lime	T20 – Yew
T21 – Cherry	T22 – Hop Hornbeam (Ostrya carpinifolia)
T23 – Yew	T24 - Robinia

Groups.

G1 – 1 Norway Maple, 1 Box Elder, 1 Tree of Heaven, 1 Chinese Plum Yew (Cephalotaxus fortunei), 1 Euodia hupehensis

G2 – 1 Holly, 2 Copper Beech, 9 Yew

G3 – 7 Lime, 1 Variegated Sycamore and 15 Yew

G4 – 2 Wellingtonia

G5 – 2 Wellingtonia

G6 – 2 Holm Oak

G7 – 3 Yew, 1 Pine and 2 Lime