



**OBJECTION TO TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 67/04
LAND OF 86 – 94 OSBORNE ROAD, NEW MILTON**

REPORT OF COUNCIL TREE OFFICER

1. TREE PRESERVATION ORDER HISTORY

- # 1.1 Tree Preservation Order (TPO) No. 67/04 was made on 23 July 2004. The TPO plan and first schedule are attached as Appendix 1. The Order protects an area of trees (A1).
- 1.2 The order was made as a matter of expediency to protect trees that make a positive contribution to the appearance of the local environment, following an outline planning application to develop the land.
- 1.3 During his inspection of the trees in connection with the outline planning application, the Council's tree officer noted that the development proposal plans did not indicate trees on the land but the site had a number of amenity trees, some of which are worth of protection by TPO.
- 1.4 Due to time constraints, it was not possible to undertake a detailed inspection of all the trees and so it was decided to make an Area classification order, to include all the trees. The intention being to revisit the site when resources permit, and evaluate the public amenity value and condition of all the trees, in order to produce a more detailed schedule of specific trees, for long term protection.

2. OBJECTION

- # Copies of correspondence are included as Appendix 2
- 2.1 On 18 August, CBA Trees, acting on behalf of Mr D Yarnold, submitted a report formally objecting to the TPO. The CBA report detailed three reasons for objection as follows:
1. The majority of the trees are not visible to the general public and others are barely visible.
 2. Most of the trees do not make an individual impact.
 3. The majority of the trees have no special significance and make little impact on the landscape.
- 2.2 The CBA report does not contain a detailed tree survey although mention is made of "...middle aged oaks and ash at the rear of the site....".
- 2.3 The CBA report makes reference to the trees in relation to proposed development, which is not a matter for consideration by the Appeals Panel in considering the amenity value of the trees at this time or their potential future amenity value.

- 2.4 The Council's tree officer acknowledged receipt of the formal objection on 27 August, 2004.

3. THE TREES

- 3.1 There are numerous trees in the protected Area. Some of these are small and not readily visible from outside the site, but other larger trees are visible from Osborne Road and the mainline railway that runs to the north of the properties. The trees are visible from the gardens of properties in Osborne Road and Oak Road. Altogether the land has the appearance of being well treed.
- 3.2 When making TPOs with an Area designation, best practice advice from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, is that such orders should be reviewed and remade with individual, group or woodland classification for the long term, rather than as an Area.
- 3.3 It is the intention of the Council's tree officer to undertake a detailed inspection of these trees when resources allow, but the objectors have not provided a schedule of trees whose inclusion they object to and so it has not been possible, within the limited time available, to negotiate a revised schedule.
- 3.4 Should the Appeals Panel agree to confirm the TPO as an Area Order, it is intended to review it within six months and draw up a more detailed schedule of the more important amenity trees. The Area Order would then be revoked and a new TPO made.
- 3.5 Three letters have been received from local residents in support of tree protection on the site.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 If TPO 67/04 is confirmed, there will be the cost of administering the service of the confirmed TPO and any subsequent tree work applications.
- 4.2 If TPO 67/04 is confirmed, compensation may be sought in respect of loss or damage caused or incurred in consequence of the refusal of any consent required under the TPO or of the grant of such consent which is subject to condition. However, no compensation will be payable for any loss of development or other value of the land, neither will it be payable for any loss or damage which was not reasonably foreseeable.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Uncontrolled cutting or the premature removal of trees at this time and the lack of controls to plant suitable replacements will be detrimental to the appearance of the area.

6. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The making or confirmation of a Tree Preservation Order could interfere with the right of the property owner peacefully to enjoy his possessions but it is capable of justification under Article 1 of the First Protocol as being in the public interest (the amenity value of the tree) and subject to the conditions provided for by law (Town and Country Planning Act 1990) and by the general principles of international law.
- 7.2 In so far as the trees are on or serve private residential property the making or confirmation of a Tree Preservation Order could interfere with the right of a person to respect for his family life and his home but is capable of justification as being in accordance with the law and necessary in a democratic society for the protection of the rights and freedoms of others (Article 8).

8. RECOMMENDATION

- 8.1 It is therefore recommended that TPO 67/04 be confirmed without amendment.
- 8.2 It is further recommended the order be reviewed within six months to allow for a detailed survey of the trees so that a new order can be prepared to include, individuals or groups of trees as appropriate.

Further Information:

Bryan Wilson
Tree Team Leader

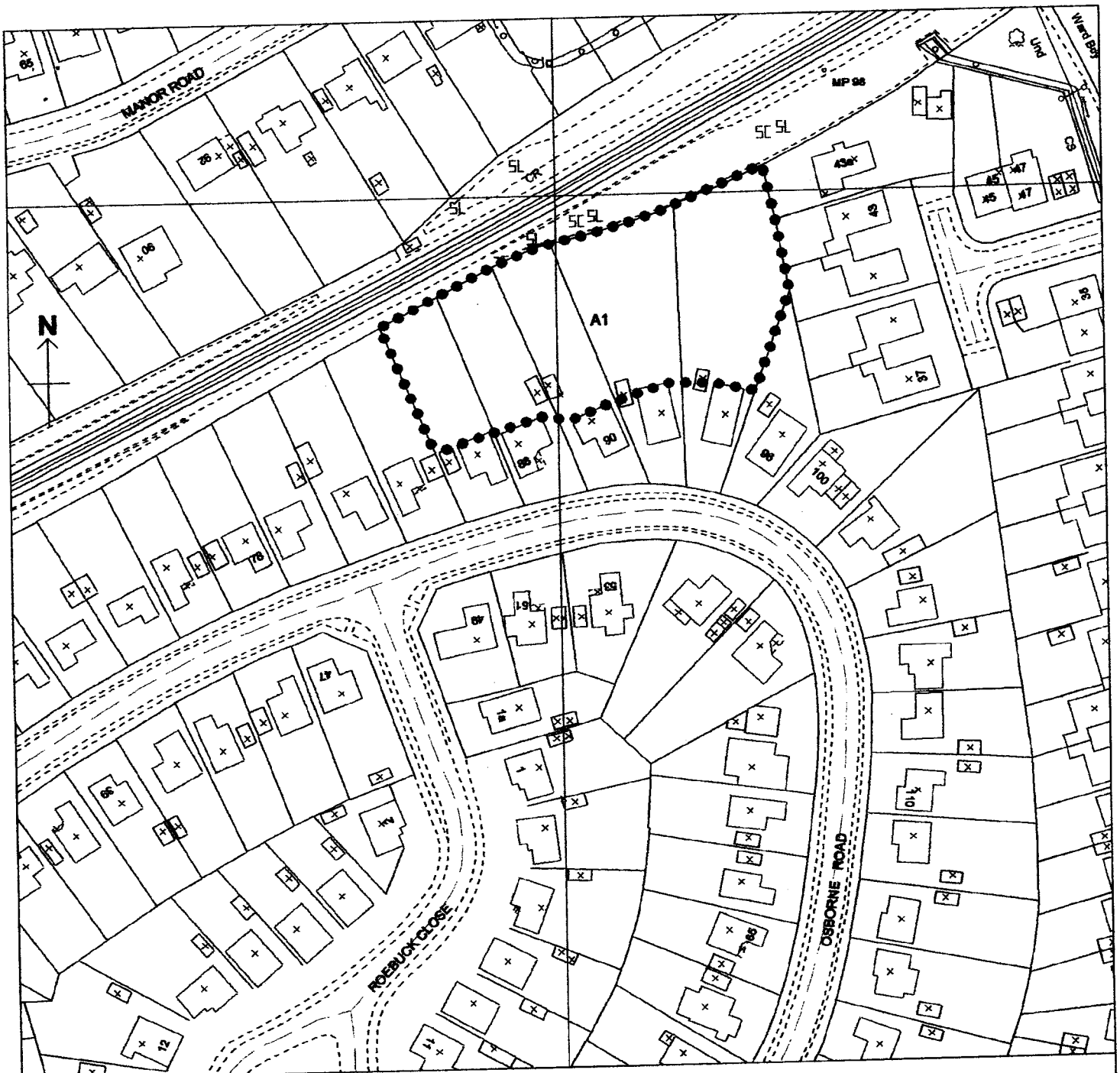
Telephone: 02380 285330

Background Papers:

Tree Preservation Order No 67/04

01-01-04

APPENDIX 1



Tree Preservation Order Plan

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

T.P.O Number: 67/04

Approximate Scale: 1250

Date Printed: 21 July 2004

W John Ward BSc, MCD, MBA, MRTPI, MIMgt
 Head of Policy, Design & Information
 Community Services Directorate
 Appletree Court
 Lyndhurst
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Key

Individual Trees Covered by TPO


Area of Trees Covered by TPO

Groups of Trees Covered by TPO

Woodland of Trees Covered by TPO

Trees Noted but not Worthy of Preservation





 AN AUTHORISED SIGNATORY

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SPECIFICATION OF TREES

Trees specified Individually

(encircled in black on the map)

No. on Map	Description	Situation
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None

Trees specified by reference to an area:

(within a dotted black line on the map)

No. on Map	Description	Situation
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A1	All trees of whatever species	Within the area marked by the dotted black line on the plan encompassing the rear gardens of 86-94 Osborne Road, New Milton
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Groups of Trees

(within a broken black line on the map)

No. on Map	Description	Situation
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None

Woodlands

(within a continuous black line on the map)

No. on Map	Description	Situation
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None

APPENDIX 2

Mr and Mrs Marchant
88 Osborne Road
New Milton
Hampshire
BH25 6AA

My ref: JH/TPO 67/04
Your ref:
27 August 2004

Dear Mr and Mrs Marchant

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 67/04

Thank you for your letter dated 11th August, the contents of which are noted.

I hope to survey the area within the next week or two and will consult with you with regard to any changes to the Order that I may propose.

Yours sincerely



John Hearne
Arboriculturist

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88 OSBORNE ROAD
NEW MILTON
HAMPSHIRE
BH25 6AA
11th August 2004

New Forest District Council,
Policy, Design & Information,
Appletree Court,
Lyndhurst,
Hampshire,
SO43 7PA

Your Ref: JH/mac/TPO 67/04

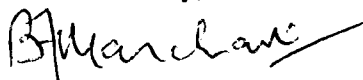
Dear Sirs,

**RE: TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (TREES) REGULATIONS 1999
TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 67/04
LAND 86 – 94 OSBORNE ROAD, NEW MILTON, HAMPSHIRE**

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 23rd July in respect of the above.

Whilst we are in favour of the Order and would raise no objections, we would like to bring to the attention of the Council that within our garden at number 88 Osborne Road, we have several very mature fir trees which will require trimming into shape in the near future. We have no intention of removing these firs but would ask that when the Order is re-assessed, consideration could be given as to whether these particular firs need to be included in the Order as they do not form part of the barrier between the garden and the railway line.

Yours faithfully,


J. M. Marchant

B. F. and J. M. MARCHANT (Mrs)

Mr M J Stubbs
82 Osbourne Road
New Milton
Hants
BH25 6AA

My ref: JH/TPO 67/04
Your ref:
19 August 2004

Dear Mr Stubbs

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 67/04

Thank you for your letter dated 1st August, the contents of which are noted.

This District Council has received an objection to the Preservation Order and an Appeals Panel of elected Members will need to be convened to consider the reasons for objection before deciding whether or not to confirm the Order. I will ensure your comments are noted on the file and will keep you advised of the appeal process so that you may make further representations if you wish.

Yours sincerely



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John

82. Osborne Road

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1/8/2004

Dear Mr Hearne.

I object to any of the trees and shrubs described in the first schedule of T.P.O. 67/04 from being cut down, topped or lopped.

This is especially the case of the trees to the rear of the properties as this would have an significant impact on the rear views of No 82. Osborne Rd, and as a result would decrease the value of No 82.

Osborne Rd.

Yours Sincerely

M. J. Stalls

Miss Sheridan Lang
41 Oak Road
New Milton
Hampshire
BH25 5BE

My ref: JH/TPO 67/04
Your ref:
21 July 2004

Dear Miss Lang

TREES AT 86 – 94 OSBORNE ROAD, NEW MILTON

Thank you for your letter dated 15 July.

I have had an opportunity to visit the site and have noted a number of trees at 92 and 94 Osborne Road that may merit inclusion in a Tree Preservation Order (TPO). There were also trees of similar public benefit at the rear of Nos 86 – 90. I therefore propose serving a temporary TPO to protect all the trees in the rear gardens of these properties. The intention then will be to review the Order and to vary it so that it protects only those trees that provide a significant public benefit in terms of visual amenity.

The new Order will be No. 67/04 and, as a neighbouring property, you will be formally served a copy sent by recorded delivery.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on the number given below.

Yours sincerely

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15 July 2004

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NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
19 JULY 2004
COMMUNICATIONS

Dear Mr Hearne

THREAT TO TREES- PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 81937
92 Osborne Road and land rear of 94 Osborne Road, New Milton

I understand that your office is not yet aware of the above planning application. It would appear that several very mature trees in the gardens of 92 Osborne Road, and 94 Osborne Road are under threat from this development. The answer to question C11 on the planning application form indicates that trees are to be felled.

When I telephoned your office earlier this week, I was told that none of the trees in these gardens was currently subject to a Tree Preservation Order. I consider that these trees should be protected, and strongly urge you to visit the site to investigate the situation.

I am ashamed to say that I cannot actually name the trees, although I know that they include at least one oak. I have indicated roughly on the attached plan the location of the trees.

I, and several other residents, have already written to NFDC to object to the above application on many grounds, including the possible destruction of the trees, which not only enhance the natural beauty of the area, but also provide a haven for numerous birds and other wildlife.

I would be grateful for your comments.

Yours sincerely



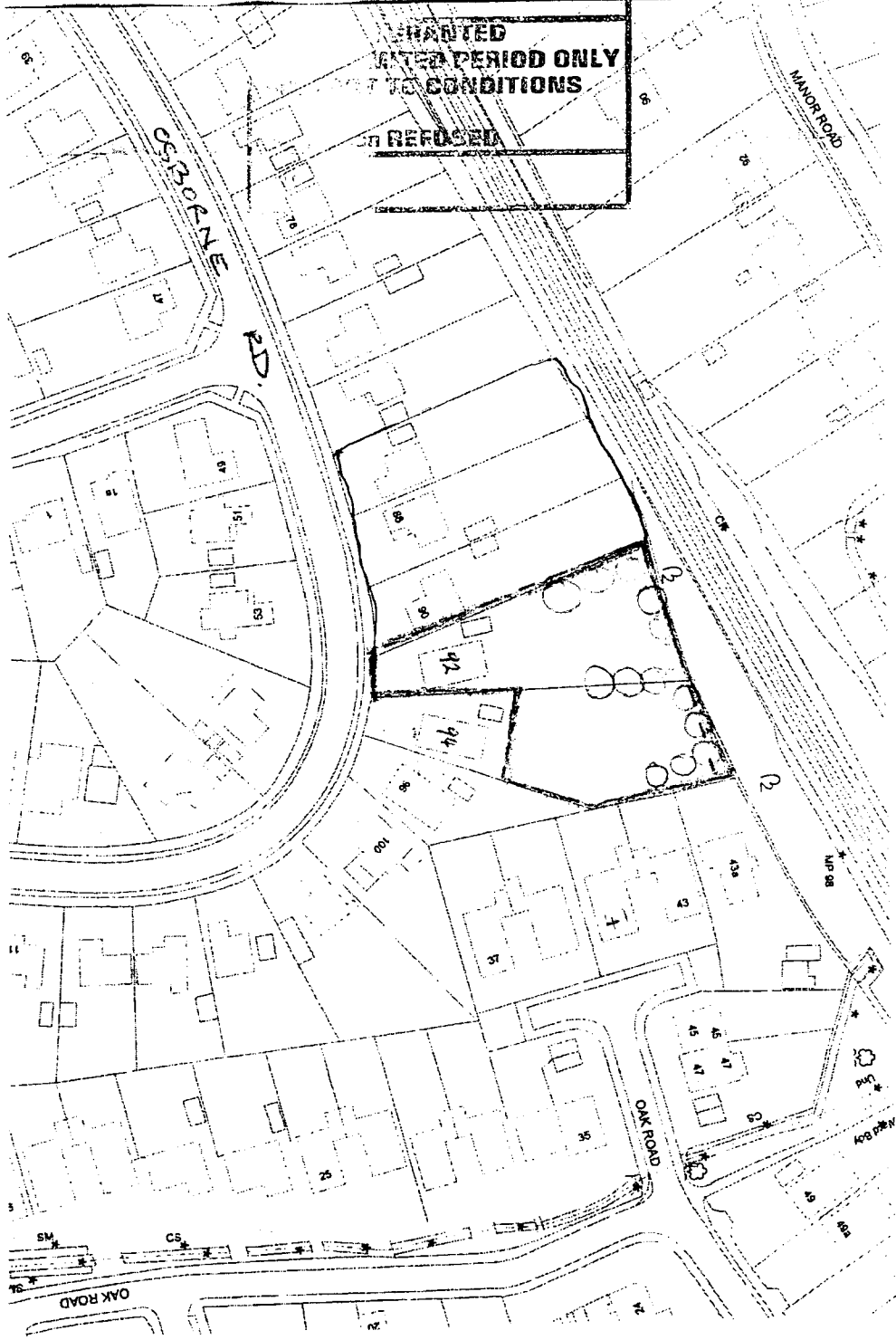
MISS SHERIDAN LANG

NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL


PLAN No. 081937

23 JUN 2004

GRANTED
 LIMITED PERIOD ONLY
 SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS
 IF REFUSED



Location @ 1:1250. 02/94 OSBORNE RD.

Site visit 20/7/02
 both properties very well tree'd at least. Ash, Oak, Syc, ^{Pine}
 trees visible from Osborne Rd, particularly prominent from Oak Road. 
 86-90 Osborne also appear to have good trees, Oak, Lime, Syc
 Consider TPO on all. JH.

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Hampshire
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My ref: JH/TPO 67/04
Your ref:BJH/JM/6059genlet195
27 August 2004

Dear Sirs

OBJECTION TO TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 67/04

I acknowledge receipt of your objection to the above Tree Preservation Order.

You will be notified of the date and procedure for consideration of your appeal and will have an opportunity to make further representation if you wish.

Yours faithfully

John Hearne
Arboriculturist

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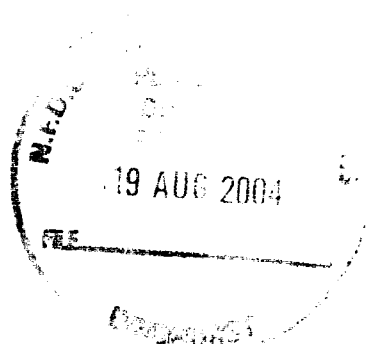


Our Ref: BJH/JM/6059genlet195

BY EMAIL AND POST

18th August 2004

Mr Hearne
Tree Team
New Forest District Council
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Dear Mr Hearne

TPO OBJECTION – TPO 67/04 - 86 to 94 Osborne Road, New Milton

Acting on behalf of my client, Mr D Yarnold, I hereby submit a formal objection to the above named Order which was served on 23rd July 2004.

Please find two copies of my report enclosed with this letter.

Yours sincerely

Bernie Harverson *M.Arb., F.Arbor.A.*
Managing Director

Enc 1. TPO Objection Report (x2 of)

CC: Mr D Yarnold (x 1 of)
Mr L Weymes (x 1 of)

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER OBJECTION

Prepared By

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In Respect Of

New Forest District Council

Tree Preservation Order

TPO 67/04

Land of 86-94 Osborne Road
New Milton
Hampshire

23rd July 2004

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- Client** - Mr.D.Yarnold
B & D Homes (Builders) Ltd
15 Elm Grove
Hayling Island
Hampshire
- Site Location** - Land of 86 – 94 Osborne Road
New Milton
Hampshire
- Project Arboricultural Consultant** - Bernie Harverson *M.Arb., F.Arbor.A*
- Date of Consultant's Site Visit** - Wednesday 11th August 2004
- Date of Report Preparation** - Wednesday 18th August 2004

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The New Forest District Council served a Tree Preservation Order (TPO 67/04) on the owners of properties 86 to 94 Osborne Road, New Milton with an effective date of 23rd July 2004 as commencement of preservation for a temporary 6 month basis or until confirmed.
- 1.2 There is a right of objection to the TPO which must be made in writing and served on the Local Planning Authority by 20th August 2004.

2.0 CLIENTS BRIEF

- 2.1 Visit the site to meet with the owner and discuss the issues.
- 2.2 Assess the validity of the Order.
- 2.3 Assess the value of the tree content.
- 2.4 Prepare an official written objection to the TPO for submission to the Local Planning Authority.

3.0 DOCUMENT DISCLOSURE

- 3.1 A copy of TPO 67/04 with the accompanying Notice of service.
- 3.2 A copy of a letter dated 29th March 2004, from New Forest District Council (Mrs. A. Braid – Asst. Planning Officer) following an approach from D. E .Yarnold and Partners regarding the options for redevelopment of 92 to 94 Osborne Road, New Milton.

4.0 ANALYSIS OF TPO AS SERVED

- 4.1 This Order was prompted by my clients approaches to the Council regarding redevelopment of No's 92-94. As such these negotiations and subsequent submissions seeking planning approval have been going on since March of this year. This is sufficient time in which to assess any perceived threat to individual trees or groups of value and to then serve an

appropriate form of TPO to protect them. However, at the 'eleventh hour' my client is suddenly served with a TPO which is wholly inappropriate for the purpose, being an **AREA** form of Order which is frowned upon by Central Government.

- 4.2 The DETR – Blue Book (Tree Preservation Orders – A Guide to the Law and Good Practice) sets out how the Government would wish to see TPO legislation interpreted and applied. At **section 3.5** under the heading of **Expediency** it states :

*“It may be expedient to make a TPO if the LPA believe there is a risk of the tree being cut down or pruned in ways which would have a significant impact on the amenity of the area. It is not necessary for the risk to be immediate. In some cases the LPA may believe that certain trees are at risk generally from development pressures. The LPA may have some other reason to believe that trees are at risk; changes in property ownership and intentions to fell trees are not always known in advance, and so **the protection of selected trees** by a precautionary TPO might sometimes be considered expedient.”*

I have highlighted and underlined the key words, to make the point that this is an Area form of Order which is inappropriate because it confers protection on **ALL** trees present and growing on site at the time of service, right down to saplings and inclusive of trees of poor quality and very questionable value. The majority of this tree cover is therefore not of amenity value, cannot be readily seen or enjoyed by the Public and does not merit Preservation.

- 4.3 The Blue Book at **section 3.17** under the heading of **Areas of Trees** provides guidance on the use of the Area form of Order. It states that an LPA can limit the extent of an Area Order by only specifying that certain trees within that zone are protected. For example in this specific instance the LPA might have chosen to only include all Oaks and Ash and Scots Pine. This at least would have shown some commitment to “... the protection of selected trees...”

- 4.4 Further guidance is provided at **section 3.3** where it specifies that :

“LPAs should be able to explain to landowners why their trees or woodlands have been protected by a TPO. They are advised to develop ways of assessing the “amenity value” of trees in a structured and consistent way, taking into account the following key criteria:

(1)visibility: the extent to which trees or woodlands can be seen by the general public will inform the LPA’s assessment of whether its impact on

the local environment is significant. If they cannot be seen or are just barely visible from a public place, a TPO might only be justified in exceptional circumstances;

(2)individual impact: the mere fact that a tree is publicly visible will not itself be sufficient to warrant a TPO. The LPA should also assess the tree's particular importance by reference to its size and form, its future potential as an amenity, taking into account any special factors such as rarity, value as a screen or contribution to the character or appearance of a conservation area. As noted in paragraph 3.2 above, in relation to a group of trees or woodland, an assessment should be made of its collective impact;

(3)wider impact: the significance of the trees in their local surroundings should also be assessed, taking into account how suitable they are to their particular setting, as well as the presence of other trees in the vicinity."

- 4.5 In terms of (1) *visibility* the majority of the trees the subject of this Order are not visible to the general public and others are only barely visible.
- 4.6 In terms of (2) *individual impact* with the exception of the middle aged Oaks and Ash at the rear of the site the majority of the internal garden trees are young and of small proportions and poor and suppressed form which are not significant now and do not have the potential to be so in the future. Further to this there are no rare or unusual tree species to take special note of.
- 4.7 In terms of (3) *wider impact* the majority of these trees have no special significance to the area and make very little impact in the landscape. Their value as part of a redeveloped site is extremely limited and would unnecessarily constrain a cohesive and well designed layout. In this context reference is made to British Standard 5837:1991- "*Trees In Relation To Construction Guidelines*" which provides amongst other things, guidance on tree surveying and appropriate application of TPO's. As far as making Orders is concerned it advises at Section 4.3 Legal Protection for trees on development sites as follows:

4.3.3 A Tree Preservation Order should not normally be a block to effective use of a site but is intended to prevent damage to or clearance of trees prior to planning permission being granted. It allows negotiation whilst providing a means of controlling which

trees can be removed, and a means of enforcing their protection during development work

4.3.4 When planning permission is granted, planning conditions may be imposed to provide for the erection of protective fencing (see clauses 7 and 8) and other measures for ensuring the well-being of trees during development

NOTE: It is considered inappropriate for planning conditions to be used to provide long-term protection to trees when Tree Preservation Orders are available as a specific provision for this purpose

4.3.5 Planning conditions may be imposed requiring tree planting to be undertaken as part of a project, and a Tree Preservation Order can be made so as to apply to such trees once they have been planted so as to achieve their long-term protection

- It is to be hoped that the purpose of this TPO is to allow for effective negotiation of redevelopment, including the possibility that some trees that have been TPO'd will be lost in favour of a cohesive and well designed layout. There is scope to include semi-mature tree planting as part of the scheme which would **more than adequately compensate** for the loss of any of the currently TPO'd trees and these new trees could be preserved in their own right to enhance the landscape for the future.

4.8 BS 5837 goes on to advise on tree surveying at Section 5 – Pre-planning site assessment, as follows:

5.2.2 (c) trees which could be retained: low category (brown)

- It goes on to state at Section 6 – Planning – 6.2 Selection of trees for retention.

- 6.2.1 *A tree survey (see 5.2) provides the basis for deciding which trees might be suitable for retention. Within the limitation imposed by the many other constraints described in 6.2.2 to 6.2.6, preference should be given to retaining the high and moderate category trees. Low category trees will usually only be retained where they are not a significant constraint on development.*
- 6.2.2 *The retention of trees is only one facet of planning a new development. The type of development may be determined by land use specified in local plans; the number and size of trees which can reasonably be retained within a development may be influenced by land use or planning policies.*
- 6.2.3 *It is essential when selecting trees to ensure that it is practical to make provision to protect the trees physically during development so as to avoid damage to the trees by construction work. This will involve identifying an area around the tree which should remain undisturbed (see 7.5), and ensuring that it is feasible to maintain fencing undisturbed around all such areas throughout the construction period (see clause 8).*
- 6.2.4 *Care should be exercised over misplaced tree preservation. Attempts to retain too many or unsuitable trees on a site are liable to result in excessive pressure on the trees during development work and subsequent demands for their removal. The end result is usually fewer and less suitable trees than would be the case if proper planning, selection and conservation had been applied from the outset.*
- 6.2.5 *Particular caution is needed over retention of large old trees which become enclosed in the new development. Such trees may*

be less resilient and more likely to die as a result of the development and even if they survive in the short term, they may die long before the new buildings are obsolete and in this situation the felling and disposal of trees can be very difficult and extremely costly.

6.2.6 Although existing trees should be retained wherever reasonable unless such trees are well suited for incorporating within the new development, it may be preferable to favour new planting. New plantings can then be selected which are ideal for the situation and landscape (see clause 14).

5.0 CONCLUSIONS

- 5.1 The majority of the trees are of generally small size and poor form and are insignificant in terms of landscape impact.
- 5.2 The majority of the trees are barely if at all visible to the general public.
- 5.3 The Order would compromise and unnecessarily constrain a layout of sound architectural merit.
- 5.4 The Order would compromise and unnecessarily constrain the most effective use of housing land in a built up area in accordance with the Government's Planning Policies.
- 5.5 There is an ideal opportunity here to agree with the developer a compromise between selective tree retention and new plantings. These new trees could be of substantial advanced nursery stock size in order to make an immediate impact. Further to this they could be located in prominent positions in full view of the general public.
- 5.6 All of the new plantings and selective retained trees should be made the subject of a new tree specific Order to ensure landscape continuity.
- 5.7 Overall this appears to be an ill considered and inappropriate TPO which **should not in my opinion be confirmed.**



QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF BERNIE HARVERSON *M.Arb., F.Arbor.A*

I am Bernard John Harverson and I am Senior Consultant and Managing Director with the firm of CBA Trees, a recognised specialist arboricultural consultancy practice. We are instructed both nationally and internationally and have our offices at The Brewery, High Street, Twyford, Hampshire, SO21 1RG.

I hold the following qualifications relevant to arboriculture:

- Master of Arboriculture (Royal Forestry Society)
 - Ordinary National Diploma in Arboriculture.
- and am a Fellow of the Arboricultural Association.

I am currently in full time private practice with over thirty years of practical and managerial experience in the arboricultural industry, including two years spent studying at Merrist Wood College, Guildford for an OND in arboriculture.

A period of nine years was spent in Local Authority Arboricultural Officer posts with Westminster City Council and Portsmouth City Council. Westminster is a council with no direct labour and all tree work was put out to private contract, (well in advance of CCT legislation). Portsmouth on the other hand is a council with a large direct labour force. This provided me with an extensive and varied experience of arboricultural work within the Local Authority field. A major aspect of the work with both authorities involved a consultancy role with the Planning Department in providing technical advice on making and administering Conservation Areas and Tree Preservation Orders. During the course of this I was frequently required to attend Court as an expert witness.



Whilst with these Local Authorities I became involved in education and training with the then Local Government Training Board, running courses on climbing and pruning techniques and the safe use of chainsaws. Linked to education I have also acted as an examiner for the Royal Forestry Society.

My past experience of the commercial sector includes two years on a forest nursery, six years as a tree surgeon, three years as manager of a tree surgery company and two years as manager of a landscape maintenance company. I joined CBA in April 1993 and was appointed Operations Director in January 1995 at the inception of Ltd status for the company and further to this was appointed Managing Director in June 2004.

Operating nationally and internationally CBA Trees provides arboricultural advice, tree surveys, appraisals, assessments and inspections for all purposes and on a wide range of tree related issues. With particular reference to planning, safety, development sites, danger, insurance, litigation, subsidence and structural damage associated with trees. This includes advice to and working with Departments of Central Government, public authorities, allied professions, commercial companies and environmental and amenity organisations on: - tree maintenance, tree surgery, planting and on specifications for successful tree retention and soft landscaping on development sites or in association with construction. As leading consultants in arboriculture, CBA Trees are instructed on major housing, business, urban, rural and leisure developments; often as part of a multi-disciplinary specialist team. A prominent strength is a regular involvement on the arboricultural aspects in the planning, design, development, maintenance and renovation of retail warehouses, superstores, holiday parks and villages; motorways and major trunk road schemes. I am also instructed to give evidence at Planning Appeals, Hearings and Public Local Inquiries.

