

To: All Members of the Appeals Panel

My Ref: JMD/LC/TPO 54/07

10 April 2008

Dear Councillor

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 54/07 – LAND OF 34 STUDLEY AVENUE, HOLBURY

The objector to the making of this tree preservation order is, unfortunately, now unable to attend. She has therefore submitted a statement, which is attached, setting out the additional points that she would have wished to have made.

Please bring this additional representation with you to the meeting on Tuesday morning.

Yours sincerely

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To the Planning Committee
Concerning TPO order No.54/07
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Unfortunately I will not be present as I have a hospital appointment on the morning of 15th April 2008. I would like to thank Ms Denham for allowing and circulating this e-mail to all concerning on my behalf.

I have enclosed information from the RHS website and Ohio State University. I have found out the the tree in my front garden is an American Red Oak not a native English Oak these trees can take upto 50lts of water a day from the ground and can grow upto 30 metres in height with growth of 2ft per year. As the tree in my front garden is only 17m in height and already is causing a certain amount of problems, with Mr Douglas also stating in his statement to you that a considerable crown reduction and reshaping of the tree is required.

I have lived at the present address for ten years and I have never had the tree pruned, if the work is done, the tree will lose its canopy and the boughs will be bare as there are few lower branches. Will this not deride from the whole basis of the argument for a Tree Preservation Order, most of my immediate neighbours have voiced their opinion of this. Number 32 is owned by a housing association and the residents of No.30 live abroad for most of the year, hence I haven't been able to get any opinion from them. Please Find some information below from the above mentioned websites:-

RHS Garden Rosemoor

Name: *Quercus rubra* AGM

Common name: Red oak, American red oak

Family: *Fagaceae*

Vital statistics

Height and spread: 25m (80ft) x 20m (70ft)

Form: Deciduous tree

Soil: Deep, fertile, well-drained, lime-free

Aspect: Sun or partial shade

Hardiness: Fully hardy

Oaks are found in many regions of scrub and woodland in the northern hemisphere. They are grown for their form and foliage, some of which colours well in autumn. Oaks are too big for most domestic gardens, but they make excellent specimens for parks or large gardens.

ID Summary

- Red Oak is the standard-bearer of the Red Oak group, being very abundant in northern forests; in open landscapes, it has an upright growth habit in youth that spreads dramatically and gracefully with age
- branches are relatively few from the trunk as compared to other Oaks, but as a result each tends to be very large, with the lowermost branches being horizontal and quite wide-spreading at maturity, and with the trunk somewhat exposed
- leaves are relatively large and shiny dark green, with many lobes that are incised and bristle-tipped, having yellow or red petioles and fall color that is usually brick red
- fruits are relatively large acorns that mature over a two-year period, with caps covering the upper quarter of the fruit, and are often present in copious amounts in Autumn

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Function

- shade tree for large lawns, parks, golf courses, corporate centers, or naturalized areas
- valuable timber tree, with its wood prized for beams, boards, railroad ties, and furniture

If the tree cannot be kept in its full glory, which this seems to be the opinion of myself and Mr Douglas then perhaps the replacement of the tree would be a better solution. Thankyou for your time and your consideration in this matter.

Yours Sincerely

Miss J. Bellisario