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5th June 2021

Planning
New Forest District Council
Appletree Court
Beaulieu Road
Lyndhurst
SO43 7PA

RE: Tree Preservation Order No TPO/0009/21
Site: Land of 47 Sylvia Crescent, Totton

Dear Sir/Madam

I have recently become aware of a Provisional TPO being placed on the tree at the location listed above.

I am writing you this letter to show that I strongly object to this TPO being put in place. I have consulted all residents in the crescent who are affected by this tree and residents who are not. The overwhelming consensus is that this tree should not have a TPO placed on it, and I feel I have enough evidence to support taking this TPO off.

The tree offers no local 'amenity' to the residents, amenity is something you cannot determine without consultation with residents, it is evident that this has not happened before the TPO has been put in place, although I have not received the letter from the NFDC office, it would seem that you are looking to determine if the tree has local amenity retrospectively, and if the residents do not object you will assume that the local amenity exists, this in itself is backward. I **have** consulted residents on this matter and as stated above the tree offers **no** local amenity, both visually and environmentally. I'm sure you have already received objections stating this.

The tree in question also blocks the sun out of at least 5 gardens on the north and east faces of the crescent as you can see from the image to the right the path of the sun follows the yellow arc and varies in position within the yellow shaded area. All residents in the shadow of this tree have explained a lack of growth or difficulty growing plants/flowers.

Falling acorns, leaves and branches also have a huge impact on the residents, many residents are elderly and struggle to keep up with the amount of clearing up they have to do with this tree in place. A resident explained and showed me that his outbuildings are consistently being damaged by dropping acorns and branches, clogging up his gutters and killing his grass and plants. One resident showed me images of the last clean up and it was 4 trips to the local refuse centre, another resident explained that the clean up job is costly as they can no longer do it themselves.



Removing the TPO and allowing the tree to be safely removed would be a god send as a lot of the residents have described. You should also consider that as stated above many residents are elderly, acorns and wet leaves can be a serious hazard making floors slippery and uneven.

The roots of this tree have also got to be considered, as I'm sure you are aware oak trees expand under the ground to the same radius as the tree is tall, and if you consider this tree is maybe 60ft tall the roots will be under/near a lot of the bungalows in the crescent, I have seen the damage to outbuildings and walls that the roots are causing, meaning residents have to pay out for what can be costly repairs. This is not something that should be decided for them. Oak trees a large amount of water on a daily basis and given that the tree will be in every garden in the crescent to a certain degree it will also take away a lot of the moisture in the ground meaning that yet again the prospect of growing large amounts of plants could be difficult.

I will be the owner of this tree soon as we are currently going through the process of buying the bungalow at the location above. I feel that it is unfair to place a TPO on this tree that has evidently been here for a long period of time, I bought the house on the principle that there was no TPO on it. I enquired legitimately via reputable tree surgeons about the possibility of removing it to bring in more light and stop potential lawsuits that could occur by it causing damages to other people's property, it seems that you are penalising me by now placing a TPO on the tree just because I have enquired. I feel the tree is no longer suitable for the area it has been growing.

I am not somebody who dislikes trees/nature in fact I enjoy spending a lot of time in nature and in our amazing woods, I just feel that this tree is just not suited for a crescent environment and will at some point cause either massive injury to somebody or massive damage to bungalows and outbuilding.

I have previously emailed my concerns to Hannah Chalmers, but I do not see this logged in the online documents form. I am also aware of 2 more objections which have been sent in which are also not listed, I wonder if this can be checked?

I implore you to seriously consider these concerns, I feel it is completely unreasonable of this office to continue with this TPO.

Yours Sincerely

Matt Curtis

Ms Claire Upton-Brown,
New Forest District Council,
Appletree Court,
Beaulieu Road,
Lyndhurst,
SO43 7PA,

25th June 2021,

Dear Ms Upton-Brown,

OBJECTION TO PROPOSED TREE PRESERVATION ORDER No. TPO/0009/21, 47 SYLVIA CRESCENT, TOTTON.

We are writing to formally object to the proposed Tree Preservation Order No. 0009/21, 47 Sylvia Crescent, Totton. The proposed Order relates to the Oak tree in the garden backing on to our property.

Our reasons for the objection are as follows:

- i. The oak tree dominates not just our property, but about 7 adjacent properties. The tree has a substantial crown spread and has been untouched for at least 18 years we know about and more. Indeed, were it to fall, there are a number of properties upon which this tree could land which could potentially cause significant damage.
- ii. Over the years we have replaced many panes of glass to our greenhouses and replaced a number of the heavy duty timbers to our shed roof, and re-roofed it twice, due to falling branches.
- iii. The small brick wall, we had built around our vegetable plot, has a number of sections, where the mortar has broken away due to root damage.
- iv. The amount of leaves we and other neighbours have to remove from our gutters is getting ridiculous. We ourselves picked up over 30 bags of leaves from our garden last year and took them to the local recycling centre.
- v. The tree has been allowed to grow bigger and bigger each year, and now our garden, when the tree is in full bloom with leaves, we have no sunlight in our greenhouse, vegetable patch and half our garden for about 4 hours of the day now, and part of our garden has NO sun at all.
- vi. Our patio has become uneven and all the mortar between the paving slabs is becoming loose.
- vii. As well as damage already apparent to adjacent properties above ground, there are tree roots causing unseen damage below ground.

For these reasons we do not agree that the Council should have the last say in determining whether the potential damage is acceptable or not, or indeed whether the tree should be felled or not. We do not consider that the TPO 0009/21, on 47 Sylvia Crescent should be imposed.

Yours Sincerely,



Mr & Mrs Prout



Mr R Dunn
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SO40 3LP

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RE: TREE PRESERVATION ORDER No TPO/0009/21
SITE: LAND OF 47 SYLVIA CRESCENT, TOTTON

Dear Sir/Madam

I have been made aware that the Authority has made a provisional TPO on the tree on the land of 47 Sylvia Crescent. Having been a resident at number 41 since 1988, I have witnessed this tree constantly growing to the point where it has become dangerous and an eyesore.

I strongly oppose and object to this action for the reasons mentioned below. The TPO has been applied to inflict maximum disruption and misery on the residents of Sylvia Crescent.

Every time we have winds the tree can be heard creaking and groaning often resulting in whole branches landing in our garden 3 doors away. The acorns are a nuisance and dangerous to our pet dogs who will try to eat them and the clearing up operation every winter when the leaves fall is becoming a herculean task. The tree has never been maintained and completely out of control. It has never been trimmed or treated but simply allowed to impact on our lives. The tree has become so big it is blocking out natural light and I imagine the roots have grown to the point where they will soon cause damage to surrounding property resulting in structural damage, and our properties becoming uninsurable.

I am extremely disappointed that the council has decided to do this now having failed to act or acknowledge the tree has existed for the 33 years I have lived in the Crescent. Why Now?

You also state in your letter that you consider this tree an amenity to the local environment. This comment is challenged by me and the residents of Sylvia Crescent who consider this tree a nuisance and certainly not an amenity. The word amenity is a noun meaning desirable or useful and the tree in question is neither desirable nor useful. In fact, is undesirable and useless.

You also use the phrase Visual Amenity and again this is challenged on the grounds the tree is NOT visually pleasing to the eye and to see the sky and the clouds or even daylight more clearly is certainly more visually appealing.

It is without doubt that you are using these emotive phrases to justify the TPO. In this case the tree needs to be maintained or preferably removed before larger branches start to fall posing a danger to people. I believe that the state the tree is in it could very easily become a danger to life.

It is wrong and undemocratic that you are imposing this order which will impact on the lives of the residents who live on the inner circle of Sylvia Crescent.

Finally, the tree in question is so out of control it will soon be overhanging my property and I reserve the right to protect my property against intrusion by any one and anything where damage is a possibility.

I am also intrigued to know why only selected properties have received notification of the impending TPO when it affects all residents within the inner circle. Is there a justifiable reason why the majority have been excluded?

I trust you will see this TPO will impact on the lives of the residents and will be detrimental to us and our properties. May I politely invite you to gauge opinion from those impacted by your decision. I think an inspection may be useful to you and I recommend you view the situation from the properties of all individuals impacted.

Yours faithfully

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of Robert Dunn.

Robert Dunn

7 Sylvia Crescent
Totton

Southampton.

SO40 3LP.

3rd July 2021.

Dear Ms. Chalmers,

Re: TPO No: TPO/0009/21

Site: 47 Sylvia Crescent, Totton

I refer to the letter from NFDC Planning dated 24th June 2021.


I object to the placing of a TPO on this tree (reference and site as above) for the following reasons:-

The tree in question has become over-dominant in height and girth for the position it is situated in. Not only does it block light from my garden but the falling leaves in Autumn, from such a large tree, cause problems with having to constantly clear them up, as well as having to clear them from my garage roof; plus acorns.

Falling debris is also a problem in the garden - twigs etc, especially in high winds. My concern is that a larger branch may come down and cause damage to property or persons - either in my own garden or those of surrounding neighbours.

Please could you consider this objection with a view to removing the TPO.

Yours sincerely


Ryan Whitchorn



45 Sylvia Crescent
Totton
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RE: Tree Preservation Order No TPO/0009/21 - Land of 47 Sylvia Crescent, Totton

Dear Sir/Madam

I have recently been made aware by yourselves of the TPO being placed on the tree located at the above location.

I would like you to remove this TPO.

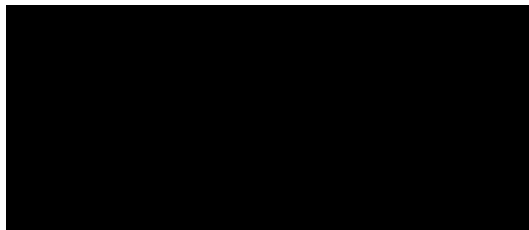
My garden is one of the worst affected gardens in the crescent and I have been asking for a long while for this tree to be taken down. I was overjoyed when the new owners suggested they were looking to take the tree down, to the stage where I offered the use of my garden and driveway if the required it.

The tree makes the rear of my garden very dark all year round, I have had to replace the roof on my workshops numerous times of the years due to falling branches and layers upon layers of wet damp leaves and acorns. I can no longer keep up with the maintenance of the garden when the autumn comes, and the tree makes the job completely unachievable.

The tree is just not useful at all for anyone in the crescent. The tree needs be removed. I do not like seeing the tree and the damage it creates in my garden and on the roofs of my buildings, I also grow concerned that some serious damage will be caused sooner rather than later.

I urge you to remove this TPO sooner rather than later.

Many Thanks





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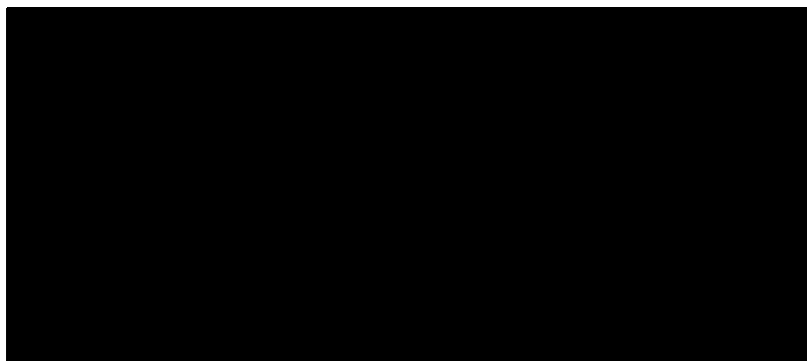
I am writing this to voice my objection to the above TPO on the grounds listed below.

This tree does not provide local amenity, we believe that the tree is an eyesore, its all we can see when looking out of our garden. It blocks all the mid-day and evening sun from our garden depending on the time of year meaning we cannot sit out to enjoy the evening for very long.

Although we do not have any part of the tree directly in our garden, we are forever cleaning up leaves and acorns. In the winter we also get a lot of broken branches from the tree.

I believe this tree is more of a hinderance than a help, we do not enjoy the tree being there and would very much like you to remove the TPO you have placed on this tree.

Many Thanks





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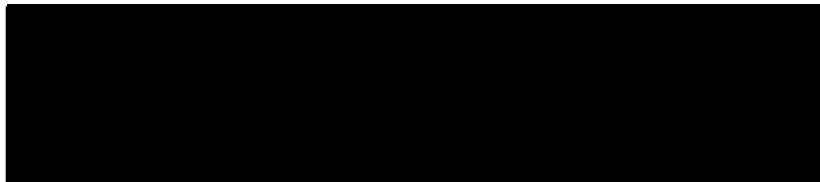
I strongly object this TPO.

I can no longer keep up with the clearing up of the leaves and acorns. This tree is too big for a residential area and would be more suited to a park or common area.

The tree is not attractive and occupies a lot of the sky although it does not affect my sunlight the image of the tree is unattractive.

I ask you to remove this TPO as soon as possible.

Many Thanks



C. CASHMORE

From:Hannah Chalmers
Sent:1 Jul 2021 08:28:53 +0100
To:Hayley Roppolo
Subject:FW: TPO/0009/21-47 Sylvia Crescent

Hi Hayley

Please can you attach this to TPO/0009/21

Thank you

Hannah

Hannah Chalmers
Senior Tree Officer

New Forest District Council
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Email address

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From: kevin billinge [REDACTED]
Sent: 30 June 2021 20:55
To: Hannah Chalmers <Hannah.Chalmers@NFDC.GOV.UK>
Subject: TPO/0009/21-47 Sylvia Crescent

Dear Hannah.

We live at 49 Sylvia Crescent Totton so40 3lp and although the tree is in need of attention (which was promised when we purchased our property) we see no need for the complete removal. It is a substantial oak tree which assist in the drainage of the excessive rainfall waters which does cause concern.

From:Hannah Chalmers
Sent:7 Jul 2021 11:30:47 +0100
To:Hayley Roppolo
Subject:FW: TPO/0009/21- 47 Sylvia crescent.

Good morning Hayley

Please can you log a support comment against the above TPO.

Many thanks

Hannah

Hannah Chalmers
Senior Tree Officer

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From: A Grapes [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 July 2021 11:28
To: Hannah Chalmers <Hannah.Chalmers@NFDC.GOV.UK>
Subject: TPO/0009/21- 47 Sylvia crescent.

I am writing to support the Tree Protection Order that has been placed on the oak tree in 47 Sylvia crescent, as one of the properties effected , I do no wish to see the tree removed, it has a wealth of benefits for the local population. There is plenty of wildlife including birds who use the tree for nesting and also squirrels.

It's a beautiful tree that has survived time and provides a good environment for the local population .

Andrew Grapes

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