

Report of	Meeting	Date
Head of Governance	Development Control Committee	24 April 2012

PROPOSED CONFIRMATION WITHOUT MODIFICATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 17 (CLAYTON-LE-WOODS) 2011

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To consider formal confirmation of Chorley Borough Council Tree Preservation Order No. 17 (Clayton-le-Woods) 2011 without modification.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. That Chorley Borough Council Tree Preservation Order No. 17 (Clayton-le-Woods) 2011 be formally confirmed without modification.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

3. Formal confirmation of the Order affords permanent as opposed to provisional legal protection to the two oak trees covered by the Order.

Confidential report Please bold as appropriate	Yes	No
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CORPORATE PRIORITIES

4. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Strong Family Support		Education and Jobs	
Being Healthy		Pride in Quality Homes and Clean Neighbourhoods	
Safe Respectful Communities		Quality Community Services and Spaces	X
Vibrant Local Economy		Thriving Town Centre, Local Attractions and Villages	
A Council that is a consistently Top Performing Organisation and Delivers Excellent Value for Money			

BACKGROUND

5. The order was made on 16 December 2011. The Order was made and served along with the statutory notice prescribed in Regulations on all those with an interest in the land on which the trees are situated on 16 December. The Parish Council was also notified for information only. The order was made because on the assessment of the Council's Tree Officer the two oak trees make a valuable contribution to the visual amenity of the area,

being prominently situated and clearly visible to the public and that their removal would have a significant impact on the environment and their enjoyment by the public.

6. No objection has been received in response to the making of the above Order. It is therefore, now open to the Council to confirm the above Order as unopposed. The effect of formally confirming the Order will be to give permanent legal force to the Order, as opposed to provisional force, thereby making it an offence on a permanent basis to fell or otherwise lop, prune etc. the two oak trees protected by the Order without first having obtained lawful permission.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

7. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance		Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal		Integrated Impact Assessment required?	
No significant implications in this area	X	Policy and Communications	

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There are no background papers to this report.

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