

TPCOMRPT 04/00016/TPORDR

Agenda Item No:8

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<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>Area No 2 Development Control Committee</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> June 2004</b>
<b>REPORTING OFFICER:</b>	<b>Director of Technical Services (Ms Sara Purvis – Principal Planning Officer)</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Tree Preservation Order 16/2004</b>
<b>WARDS AFFECTED:</b>	<b>Knaresborough Scriven Park</b>
<b>FORWARD PLAN REF:</b>	

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## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To request the confirmation of a provisional Tree Preservation Order.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That (1) the Committee find it expedient in the interests of amenity to confirm with modification the Tree Preservation Order at Orchard Spring, Ripley Road, Knaresborough.
- 2.2 (2) The Director of Administration be authorised to take appropriate action to secure confirmation.
- 2.3 (3) The order be confirmed as The Council of the Borough of Harrogate Tree Preservation Order No. 16 / 2004.

## **3.0 THE REPORT**

- 3.1 The provisional Tree Preservation Order was placed on the trees within the garden of Orchard Spring, Ripley Road, Knaresborough, following a recommendation by the Council's arboricultural officer.
- 3.2 The Council's Arboricultural Officer visited the site in connection with a consultation on an application on the land for development of 2 No detached dwellings (ref: 6.100.873.A.FUL). The arboricultural officer commented that a

number of the trees within the garden and potentially at risk from the proposed development are worthy of a Tree Preservation Order. The trees concerned have no other means of protection, and would be at risk should development of the site be approved. The trees which are the subject of the provisional order are 4 individually identified trees referred to as T1 - T4 inclusive, and comprise a beech, a spruce, and two oaks, also identified are 3 groups of trees as follows G1 is a group of 5 pines and 1 spruce, G2 is a group of 2 spruce, and G3 is a group of 6 pines, 1 walnut, and a thuja (cedar). The Provisional Order was made on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2004.

3.3 No letters of representation have been received.

3.4 It is considered that all of the trees have high amenity value and make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of the area, and the landscape setting of Knaresborough, being visible from a range of public view points. The trees are particularly important in screening views of any future development on the site.

#### 4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 The trees, which are the subject of this order identified as T1-T4 inclusive, and G1-G3 inclusive, are felt to be of considerable amenity value and an Order is considered appropriate to ensure their retention, particularly as they have no other protection such as that pertaining to Conservation Areas, and confirmation of the Order is recommended.

#### Background Papers

None

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#### SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT/POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

		Implications are		
		Positive	Neutral	Negative
A	Economy		X	
B	Environment	X		

C i) ii) iii)	Social Equity General Customer Care/People with Disabilities Health Implications		X	
D	Crime and Disorder Implications		X	

If all comments lie within the shaded areas, the proposal is sustainable.

