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**REPORT TO:** Area 2 Development Control Committee

**DATE:**

**REPORTING OFFICER:** Director of Technical Services  
(*Mr A Hough, Principal Planner*)

**SUBJECT:** TREE PRESERVATION ORDER No 50/2004

**WARD/S AFFECTED:** **Scotton**

**FORWARD PLAN REF:**

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## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

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

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATION/S**

2.1 That (1) the Committee find it expedient in the interests of amenity to confirm the Tree Preservation Order at Merrywood Farm, St Johns Road, Scotton.

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 50/2004.

## **3.0 THE REPORT**

3.1 A planning application was received under reference number 6 to convert an existing barn within the domestic curtilage of \_\_\_\_\_ to form a dwelling house. Concern was expressed that the future of the trees adjacent to the barn could become under threat from the building works. The mature trees adjacent to the barn were a group of several mature trees in the locality which significantly contributed to the amenity and rural character of St Johns Road. The amenity value of the trees adjacent to the barn and immediate locality was considered to be high. The trees total 10 individual specimens (3 ash and 7 sycamore) and a group of 3 sycamores within the grounds of \_\_\_\_\_ Dunedin.

3.2 A provisional order was originally served in November 2003 but was not

confirmed. At that time five letters of representation were received from the occupiers of Langton Lodge, Scotton Grange and Furrowfield. The occupiers of Langton Lodge and Scotton Grange were in support of making the order whilst two letters from the occupants of Furrowfield expressed concern regarding the need to serve an order on T2, T4, T6 and T7. The Arboricultural Officer confirmed in reply that in the case of T2, T4 and T7 they did not pose problems in terms of safety and in the case of T2, T3 and T4 contributed to the area having grown as a group were self reliant on each other for wind protection. Removing one or more of these trees could expose the remaining tree(s) to wind forces which they previously had not been exposed to, thus leading to potential failure of parts of the tree. In terms of T6, it was stated this could be removed subject to appropriate re-planting.

- 3.3 No representations have been received in respect of serving this Order.
- 3.4 Since the provisional Order was served there has been no change in circumstances.
- 3.5 The identified trees have a high amenity value and make a positive contribution to the rural character and appearance of St Johns Road.

#### 4.0 CONCLUSION/S

- 4.1 The trees, which are the subject of this Order, we felt to be of considerable amenity value and an Order is considered appropriate to ensure their retention.

#### Background Papers –

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#### SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT/CRIME AND DISORDER

		Implications are		
		Positive	Neutral	Negative
A	Economy			
B	Environment			
C	Social Equity			
i)	General			
ii)	Customer			
	Care/People with			
	Disabilities			
iii)	Health			
	Implications			
D	Crime and			
	Disorder			

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

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29 October 2004

**TREE PRESERVATION ORDER  
TPO NO 50/2004**

**Merrywood Farm, St Johns Rd, Scotton Harrogate District North Yorkshire**

**FIRST SCHEDULE**

**TREES SPECIFIED INDIVIDUALLY**

(encircled in black on the map)

Ref on Map	Description	Situation
T1	Ash	432832 458962
T2	Sycamore	432809 459035
T3	Ash	432806 459035
T4	Sycamore	432805 459031
T5	Sycamore	432802 459030
T6	Sycamore	432795 459028
T7	Sycamore	432790 459022
T8	Sycamore	432771 459017
T9	Sycamore	432765 459022
T10	Ash	432736 450946

**GROUPS OF TREES**

(within a broken black line on the map)

Ref on Map	Description (including number of trees)	Situation
G1	3 Sycamores	432857 458942

**WOODLANDS**

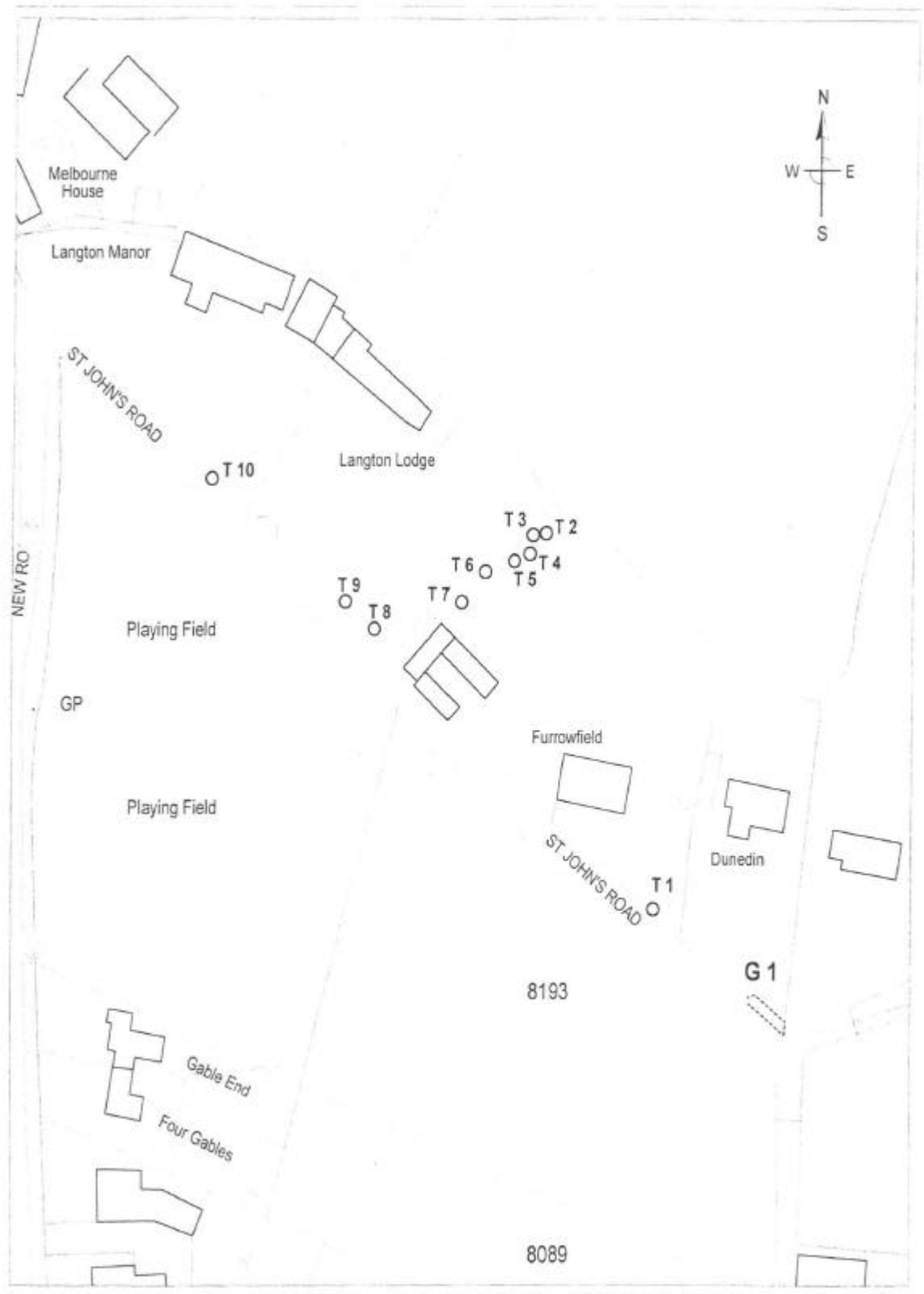
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Ref on Map	Description	Situation
None		

**TREES SPECIFIED BY REFERENCE TO AN AREA**

(within a dotted black line on the map)

Ref on Map	Description	Situation
None		



TPO No 50, 2004 MERRYWOOD FARM, ST. JOHN'S ROAD, SCOTTON



SCALE: 1:1000  
 DATE: 26 November 2001

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