



Application for Tree Works: Works to Trees Subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and/or Notification of Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Tree Location

Please provide the address of the site where the tree(s) stands (full address if possible)

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is

(for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

Three Common Lime Tilia x europaea trees by the gate to Blyth Cricket Club on Park Drive, Blyth, Worksop, Notts S81 8HN

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

George

Surname

Buchanan

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Hodsock Priory

Address line 2

Hodsock

Address line 3

Blyth

Town/City

Worksop

County

Notts

Country

UK

Postcode

S81 0TY

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

***** REDACTED *****

Fax number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

What Are You Applying For?

Based on the type of work proposed and the location and protected status of the trees involved, there are various details and supporting information that will need to be supplied in order for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application.

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order?

- Yes
 No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area?

- Yes
 No

Documents and plans (for any tree)

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works' MUST be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area ([see guidance notes](#)).

It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

Are you providing additional information in support of your application (e.g. an additional schedule of work for the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')?

- Yes
 No

If Yes, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application

Plan of Park Drive leading to Blyth Cricket Club
Plan of trees made in 1972
Arboricultural Health and Hazard Report Oct 2023
Blyth Cricket Club Park Drive Tree Survey Evaluation 2023

Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out

Three Common Lime *Tilia x europaea* trees on Park Drive, Blyth, Worksop S81 8HN, near the gate to Blyth Cricket Club. Tree 3 in the attached Arboricultural Report is overhanging the garden of 6 Priory Close, Blyth, Worksop S81 8HN (shown as Monks Barn on the attached plans). The owners are concerned the tree is imminently dangerous and about to fail, causing damage and/or injury. The tree is ivy-choked, dropping branches, blocking sunlight and creating shadows. It is displaying a poor physiological condition, with below average twig and bud development and limited incremental growth; the tree's structural condition is average and there is potential for imminent failure.

In October 2023, Arboricultural Consultant Robert Booth inspected the trees and recommended removing dead wood from high risk areas as soon as can be arranged, and cutting ivy at the stem base within 3 months of the report (by 20th January 2024) to allow a further inspection and advice in a year. Robert is a suitably experienced, Lantra qualified and insured professional Tree Inspector, qualified to carry out Arboricultural Surveys on trees to BS 5837 and a Technician level member of the Arboricultural Association with its professional codes of conduct. JRS Tree Services are lined up to do the work, pending the planning decision. We understand the balance between protecting features of importance in the landscape of the Blyth Conservation Area such as trees, with the safety of Monks Barn.

Tree 1 and 2 are Category A - trees of a high quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years. Both require removal of dead wood from the road side of the canopy only.

Tree 3 (closest to Monks Barn) is Category B - a tree of moderate quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 20 years, in impaired condition with a presence of significant though remediable defects, including unsympathetic past management and storm damage, such that it is unlikely to be suitable for retention for beyond 20 years. This tree lacks the special quality necessary to merit Category A designation, is part of a group so it attracts a higher collective rating than it might as an individual and is situated so as to make little visual contribution to the wider locality.

The professional advice for Tree 3 is cut the ivy to allow further inspection in a year but we are concerned about monitoring the state of the tree in the meantime. If the tree fails there is a threat to life and damage to property. Tree 3 is in poor physiological condition and may be affected by a pathogen or entering its 3rd life stage and starting retrenchment of its canopy.

So we are seeking permission to remove dead wood from the road side of the canopy only on Tree 1 and 2. On Tree 3, crown reduction by 3m to 11m and limb reduction by half from 5m to 2.5m, all back to suitable branches and working to BS398 and the Tree Work Act. We can then inspect in a year and see where we go from there.

You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the Tree Preservation Order where this is available. You should use the same numbering on your sketch plan (see below for sketch plan requirements).

Please provide the following information:

- Tree species
- The number used on the sketch plan; and
- A description of the proposed works.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order you must also provide:

- Reasons for the work; and where trees are being felled
- Proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

e.g. Oak (T3) – Whole crown reduction to 12m above ground level, to provide sufficient clearance to property.

Sketch plan requirements

Your plan needs to show the precise location of the tree(s) in relation to nearby property/roads/boundaries. It should, therefore:

- indicate the main features of the site where the tree(s) stand and its surroundings; in particular, you should:
 - mark and name surrounding roads
 - sketch in buildings, including adjoining properties
 - add house numbers or names
- mark the position of the tree(s) to which you want to carry out work and identify them by the number shown in the Tree Preservation Order where possible; if you use a different number, please make sure that this can be matched with your description of the tree(s)
- if there are many trees on the site, make clear which tree(s) are included in this application by:
 - marking all trees on the plan, but only numbering those to which you want to carry out work
 - showing the approximate distance between the application tree(s) and buildings
 - adding other relevant features on the site (e.g. greenhouse, paths)

If it is impossible to identify the tree(s) accurately on the plan (e.g. because they are part of a woodland or group of trees), please identify their approximate location on the plan and provide details of how the tree(s) are marked on site (e.g. high visibility tape, tree tags, paint, etc); trees must not be marked by scarring or cutting into the bark.

Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

- Yes
 No

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff**
(b) an elected member
(c) related to a member of staff
(d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

- Yes
 No

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Tree works: Trees in conservation areas/subject to TPOs as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

George Buchanan

Date

03/11/2023