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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')

## Applicant Details

### Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Paul

Surname

Harrison

Company Name

### Address

Address line 1

8- Harewood

Address line 2

Mottram Road

Address line 3

Town/City

Broadbottom

County

Country

Postcode

SK14 6BB

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

### Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

## 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

Do you know the Tree Preservation Order reference number(s)?

- Yes  
 No

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following.

If so, your application MUST be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals ([see guidance notes for further details](#)).

Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall

- Yes  
 No

If Yes, you are required to provide written aboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert.

Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives.

- 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

Sketch plan of Location  
Elevation of location  
Photographs 1-4

## 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

Tree T1 is a mature Beech tree located approximately 4 m from the main house. It is approximately 15 m in height, has a trunk 0.82 m in diameter and has a very extensive and well-developed canopy over the adjacent house.

I have had a tree survey carried out (by a qualified tree surveyor) and the tree itself appears to be generally healthy. However, the following concerns are apparent:

- The beech tree is located too close to the house (even allowing that the tree would have been smaller when the house was built). The root protection zone is 9.84 m but the house is within 4 m of the tree. This is contrary to recommendations within BS 5837 and limits the extent of the tree root to the east. Whilst a small intrusion into the root protection zone would be acceptable, the extent of intrusion causes concern.
- Additionally, the beech tree is situated on a steep bank with poor soil profile limiting the root profile to the south.
- The canopy is crowded and there are mature trees adjacent the tree T1.

We have suffered from two tree collapses in our garden in recent years and two neighbours have also had major tree collapses in the last year. Given the maturity, age and overall weight of the tree, we are extremely concerned that this tree will eventually collapse in a storm due to root failure, not due to failure of the trunk. Due to the tree's location, this would be a threat to life as well as extensive building damage. The concern is such that when it is windy, we do not use that side of the house. Our concern is exacerbated by the outcome of the tree survey which highlights the limitations on the root structure in two directions and the general shallow depth of a Beech tree roots.

We have discussed whether it would be feasible to substantially reduce the height of the tree as an alternative but this is impractical due to the height at which the canopy starts. Additionally, any crown reduction or crown thinning works would need to be extensive and are likely to risk the health of the tree and ultimately not resolve the root issue.

Given the potential risk to life, we would ask to remove the tree in its entirety to mitigate the risk that it will collapse onto the house and cause injury or death. There are numerous other trees in the area of the garden and therefore we do not consider that this will have a substantial impact on the overall greenery in the area and would not propose to replace the tree as a result.

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

Paul Harrison

Date

26/01/2024