



St Edmundsbury
BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEV/SE/15/52

Development Control Committee

3 September 2015

Tree Preservation Order Application

DC/15/1240/TPO

Ickworth Drive, Bury St Edmunds

Date: 18 June 2015 **Expiry Date:** 13 August 2015
Registered:

Case Officer: Aaron Sands **Recommendation:** Grant Approval

Parish: Bury St Edmunds **Ward:** Abbeygate

Proposal: TPO211 (1994)17 - Tree Preservation Order Application - (i) 1 no. Sycamore (1465 on plan, T12 on Order) Crown lift to 4 metres; (ii)1 no. Beech (1464 on plan) and 1 no. Elm (1462 on plan) Crown lift to 3metres (within Group G16 of Order); (iii) 3 no. Lime (1459/1460/1461 on plan) Crown lift to 5.4 metres over road and 3 metres all round and 1 no. Lime (1460 on plan) remove hanging branch (within Group G15 of Order); (iv) 1 no. Lime (1460 on plan) remove hanging branch; (v) 2 no. Beech (1453/1454 on plan and within G14 of Order) Crown lift to 3 metres; (vi) 2 no. Lime (1455/1456 on plan and within Group G13 of Order) Crown lift to 3 metres; and (vii) 1 no. Elm (1457 on plan and within Group G15 of Order) Crown lift to 3 metres - Works include removal of climbing plants and deadwood

Site: Ickworth Drive, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3PX

Applicant: St Edmundsbury Borough Council – Matt Vernon

Synopsis:

Application under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and Associated matters.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Committee determine the attached application and associated matters.

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Background:

This application is referred to the Committee because the Local Authority is the applicant.

Proposal:

1. Permission is sought for works to trees as specified in the above description.

Application Supporting Material:

2. Information submitted with the application as follows:
 - Application Form
 - Sketch Plan
 - Schedule of Tree works

Site Details:

3. The site is situated within the Housing Settlement Boundary and comprises an attractive group of trees at the Junction of Ixworth Drive and Hospital Road. The trees are well developed and form an attractive and important feature of the local area including a number of particularly large and healthy elm trees.

Planning History:

4. None relevant

Consultations:

5. Not Applicable

Representations:

6. Parish Council: No objection
7. No other representations received.

Officer Comment:

8. The application site forms a visually attractive barrier between the busy Hospital Road and the residential areas beyond. A footpath winds between the trees and one reason for the works is to provide a safe clearance for pedestrians along this pathway as a number of branches are reasonably low. Similarly the crown raising will also provide clearance above the road to allow access for larger vehicles that may be accessing the site.
9. The proposal also includes the removal of deadwood. While this does not require permission it will reduce the risk of failure that could arise from falling branches.

Conclusion:

10. In conclusion the proposal is considered to be appropriate works in line with good arboricultural standards and will contribute to the long term vitality and viability of the trees.

Recommendation:

It is **RECOMMENDED** that **Approval** be granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. Works to appropriate Arboricultural Standard.
2. Standard Time limit.

Documents:

All background documents including application forms, drawings and other supporting documentation relating to this application can be viewed online.

<https://planning.westsuffolk.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=NQ366PPDIQT00>

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