



St Edmundsbury
BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Development Control Committee

1 October 2015

Tree Preservation Order Application

DC/15/1689/TPO

1 Corsbie Close, Bury St Edmunds

Date: 2 August 2015 **Expiry Date:** 15 October 2015

Registered:

Case Officer: Jonny Rankin **Recommendation:** Grant

Officer:

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

Proposal: TPO261(1998)9 - (i) 1no Alder (01726 on plan, within area A1 of Order); (ii) 1no. Ash (01302 on plan) Coppice; (iii) 1no. Hazel (01346 on plan) Crown lift to 3 metres; (iv) Re -pollard 9no. Willow (01349 on plan) and 1no. Goat Willow (01727 on plan); and (v) Willow and Alder (01349 on plan) reduce by 1metre to clear garage at rear of 11 Corsbie Close (all within area A2 on Order)

Site: 1 Corsbie Close, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3ST

Applicant: St Edmundsbury Borough Council

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 within and to the rear of properties on Corsbie Close. The trees are well developed and form an attractive and important feature of the local area forming a boundary between the gardens to the rear of Corsbie Close and the footpath along the River Linnet.

Planning History:

4. None relevant

Consultations:

5. Tree Officer: All works appear to be reasonable maintenance given the species involved and their location close to the footpath, garages etc and previous management (such as pollarding Willows). The Ash (1302) appears to be suffering as a result of soil level changes. The Goat Willow (1727) is ok and leaning away from the path but ok to pollard.

Representations:

6. Town Council: No objection based on information received.
7. No other representations received.

Officer Comment:

8. The application site forms a visually attractive barrier between Corsbie Close and the River Linnet. The footpath winds between the trees which form an avenue and in places creates a tunnel effect for footpath users due to the proximity and low height of some of the trees. One reason for

the works is to provide a safe clearance for pedestrians along this pathway as a number of branches are reasonably low.

9. Similarly the crown raising of the Hazel (1346) will provide clearance to garages at the rear of Corsbie Close.

10. The remainder of the works are in accordance with standard arboricultural practice and are considered necessary, and acceptable.

Conclusion:

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

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=documents&keyVal=NTDOTWPDJZ700>

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