



Location

The Ridings, Norton

Date: 16th March 2023

Present: Councillors: Potter (Chairman), Cleary, Mackenzie

In attendance: Matthew Stubbings, Tree and Landscape Officer

Minutes

1. Apologies for Absence

None

2. Urgent Business

No urgent business was raised.

3. Declarations Of Interest

None.

4. Tree Preservation Order No: 360/2022 at The Spinney, 3 Pinewood, Norton, Malton, North Yorks., YO17 9JT

DISCUSSION

- All 3 councillors agreed that (with the exception of the dead Scots Pine tree which has since been picked up on since the order was made provisionally) the trees merited protection.
- The subject trees may have been planted when the bungalows were build back in the 1960s.

- The apple trees in the rear garden of 29 The Ridings will have been planted long after the subject trees were planted. They have probably been planted too close to the subject trees and are therefore suppressed by them.
- Fruit trees in pots on the patio nearer to the property may have a better chance to thrive.

DECISION:

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Planning Committee is recommended to confirm TPO 360/2022 with modifications as detailed below:

1. G1 shall consist of 10 no. Scots Pine trees and not 11 as currently stated in the order. The reason for this is that one of the trees is dead.
2. The description in the schedule for G1 and the title of the order will be amended accordingly.

Unanimous decision to confirm TPO 360/2022 with modifications

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5. Tree Preservation Order No: 361/2022 on land at Flat 1, 125 Langton Road, Norton, Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 9AE

DISCUSSION

- The trees are clearly prominent and provide good amenity from a public vantage point.
- T3 was examined in more detail. It was found to have a large exposed wound on the southern side of the trunk at around 3m above ground level. Furthermore one of the primary branches that overhang the neighbouring property was found to have a large cavity at the crook of the branch. It is not known whether the large partially occluded cavity was the result of poor historic pruning or previous branch failure. These defects were considered to increase the likelihood of tree failure.

- T3 has an unbalanced crown with a bias towards the neighbour at 137. On balance it was considered appropriate to exclude T3 from the order.
- The tree owner wishes to remove T3 and has offered to replant a new tree such as a field maple or cherry nearby to mitigate the loss.
- The neighbouring trees T2 and T1 were considered to be a better specimens and have potential for its canopy to fill the void that T3 will leave.
- The species of T2 and T5 were not identified correctly during the TEMPO evaluation and should be corrected.

DECISION:

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Planning Committee is recommended to confirm TPO 361/2022 with modifications as detailed below:

1. T3 shall be excluded from the order.
2. The schedule and title of the order shall be amended accordingly.
3. The species of T2 is Common Lime. The species for T5 is Sycamore. These should be modified on the TPO schedule.

Unanimous decision to confirm TPO 361/2022 with modifications

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