

APPEALS AND REVIEWS COMMITTEE
23RD OCTOBER 2023

Report of the Head of Governance and Human Resources

BOROUGH OF CHARNWOOD (SIX HILLS ROAD WALTON ON THE WOLDS) TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 2023

The above order relates to a group of trees G1 (10 Ash, 4 Horse Chestnut) situated at Six Hills Road, Walton on the Wolds.

The Council's Head of Planning and Growth considers that the trees make a significant contribution to the visual amenity and biodiversity of the area, stating that the group of trees comprise 10 early mature Ash and 4 early mature Horse Chestnut at the entrance to the village of Walton on the Wolds, on the south side of Six Hills Road. The trees form the frontage of number 16 Six Hills Road, fall within the Walton on the Wolds Conservation area and have been recently subject to a felling application to the Forestry Commission. Therefore, he considered it appropriate to ensure that the trees are properly protected and retained in a satisfactory manner through the making of this Tree Preservation Order.

Therefore, an Order was made on 7th July 2023 to provisionally protect the trees.

A copy of the Order is attached at **Annex 1**.

An objection to the Order was received from the owner of the site, Walton Free Range Farms Ltd (Mr Simon Richardson).

A copy of the objection is attached at **Annex 2**.

The Head of Planning and Growth's comments on the issues raised in the objection are attached at **Annex 3**.

The Committee is asked to consider the issues raised by the objector and the comments of the Head of Planning and Growth in accordance with the procedure set out and to determine whether or not the Tree Preservation Order should be confirmed and, if so, whether with or without modification.

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