

11 CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER, GROUND AT 1, 2 AND 5 TOWER COURT, 2 RALSTON ROAD, "TORWOOD", RALSTON ROAD AND 1 TO 6 BEACH TOWER, DUNDEE (AN 353-2006)

Members are asked to note on 28th July, 2006, the Council made a provisional Tree Preservation Order (TPO) on the above mentioned site. The Council's Forestry Officer requested that this be done in order to protect the visual amenity of the area as there was a high incidence of the removal of healthy mature trees in the area. One objection was received from a neighbour. The objection is as follows:

The objector feels that four of the trees protected pose a serious danger to his property in their present state. The objector also has concerns over the financial effects of a TPO.

The Council's Forestry Officer considers that none of the protected trees are a physical danger to the property of Tower Court.

He also considers that a TPO should be no more financial burden to a tree owner than without a TPO. A TPO is put in place to protect trees from wilful acts of damage and destruction and it does not negate the tree owner's duty of care and responsibility that he has to ensure the trees are maintained in a safe and proper manner.

Members are asked to authorise the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and the Director of Planning and Transportation to undertake the necessary procedures and confirm the above TPO without modification.

Copies of the map will be placed in the members lounge.