

6 CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER - 30C ALBANY ROAD, BROUGHTY FERRY (AN266-2007)

Members are asked to note on 6th July 2007 the Council made a provisional Tree Preservation Order on the above mentioned site. The Council's Forestry Officer requested that this be done in order to protect and preserve the arboreal amenity of this area. One objection to the Tree Preservation Order has been received on behalf of the owners. However this was not received within the statutory time period permitted for objections. The agent stated the objection letter was handed into the Council within the time period, but no record of this has been found. For the Members' information, the grounds of the objection are as follows:-

(a) THE TREES ARE IN A CONSERVATION AREA AND ARE ALREADY PROTECTED

Council Response - As this site is in a Conservation Area notice of intended works to trees is required. The owner wrote to the Council requesting permission to fell a large oak tree. The Council's Forestry Officer refused permission to fell the tree. The owner did not accept this and informed the Council's Forestry Officer he would fell the tree anyway. In order to protect this tree and others the Council served the Tree Preservation Order.

(b) THE TREES AND IN PARTICULAR ONE TREE PRESENT A THREAT TO SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS AND VISITORS.

Council Response - The tree was inspected twice by qualified Council tree officers and both agreed the tree was healthy and would only consent or permit the tree to be pruned to best arboricultural practice.

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 Tree Preservation Order.

A copy of the Tree Preservation Order and letter of objection are available in the Members' lounge.