

**5 LAND AT AND ADJACENT TO ROWANBANK, DRUMGEITH ROAD, DUNDEE
(AN86-2010)**

Members are asked to note that on 28th January, 2010 the Council made a provisional Tree Preservation Order on the above-mentioned site. The site is not located in a Conservation Area. This was done to protect the trees from future development of the site and to protect the arboreal amenity of the area.

There was one objection to the Tree Preservation Order. This was from the owner of the site.

The objector is concerned that the trees are blocking sunlight.

The Council's Forestry Officer advises that there is no right to light and the group of trees only block the sunlight in the early morning.

The objector is concerned that the shedding of needles is causing detriment to the property.

The Council's Forestry Officer advises that the removal of this group of trees would not significantly reduce the amount of needles which may affect this property given the amount of trees situated to the north and west of the house.

The objector is concerned that the two pine trees are leaning towards the main road at such an angle that they are impeding the flow of large traffic.

The Council's Forestry Officer advises that we have not received any complaints from the roads department, bus companies or police that there is an issue for the safety of the traffic at this junction in relation to the trees.

The objector states that the Larch is common and as such would not be a great loss to the surrounds.

The Council's Forestry Officer advises that this species was planted extensively in the landscaping of the area in the 1960s, however, they still require statutory protection for their arboreal amenity and position in the landscape.

This order does not infringe any rights to maintain the trees but allows the authority to ensure best practice is followed and ensures adequate replacement planting if required.

Members are asked to authorise the Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and the Director of City Development to undertake the necessary procedures and confirm the above Tree Preservation Orders.

Copies of the map and the objection have been circulated to Group Secretaries, Lord Provost Letford and Depute Lord Provost Borthwick.