

TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 6th May, 2009 at 2.00 p.m. in
Committee Room 3, The Council House, Dudley

PRESENT:-

Councillor James (Chairman)
Councillor Southall (Vice Chairman)
Councillors Mrs Aston, D Blood, Cotterill, K Finch, Ms Nicholls and Mrs Rogers.

Officers

Mr J Dunn, Mr C Mellor and Ms S Willetts (Directorate of the Urban Environment), Miss S Ahmed and Miss K Fellows (Directorate of Law, Property and Human Resources)

54 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Member made a declaration of interest in accordance with Members' Code of Conduct.

55 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 22nd April, 2009, be approved as a correct record and signed.

56 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A report of the Director of the Urban Environment was submitted on the following planning applications.

RESOLVED

That the applications be dealt with as follows:-

- (i) Plan number P09/0295 – 22 Ridgewood Avenue, Wollaston, Stourbridge – Cut back and Prune by 40% 4 Hawthorn Trees, 4 Oaks, 1 Sycamore, 60% 1Ash. Fell 1 Oak and cut back to small stump 1 Birch Tree.

Decision – Approved subject to the conditions 1 to 3 (inclusive) as set out in the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

- (ii) Plan number P09/0345 – Redmays, Quarry Park Road, Stourbridge – Fell 1 Cypress Tree.

Decision – Approved, subject to the conditions 1 to 3 (inclusive) as set out in the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

- (iii) Plan number P09/0346 – Belle Vale, Halesowen – Various Tree Works.

Decision – Approved, subject to the conditions 1 to 2 (inclusive) as set out in the report of the Director of the Urban Environment.

- (iv) Plan number P09/0351 – 20 Red Hill Close, Oldswinford, Stourbridge – Fell 1 Lime Tree.

Although this application was recommended for refusal, the Committee considered that it should be approved given their previous consideration and determination of a similar application in respect of the same tree.

Decision – Approved subject to the following conditions:-

1. The tree works subject of this consent shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard BS3998: 1989 “Regulations for Treework”.
2. The works hereby approved shall be carried out within twelve months from the date of this decision.

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COMMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN

This being the last meeting of the Committee in this municipal year, the Chairman thanked Members and Officers for their continuing hard work and support at meetings.

Councillor Blood on behalf of the members thanked the Chairman and the Vice Chairman for the able manner in which they had conducted meetings of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 2.50pm

CHAIRMAN