

Application for tree works: works to trees subject to a tree preservation order (TPO) and/or notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

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Please ensure that the information you submit is accurate and correct and does not include personal or sensitive information. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Local Planning Authority directly.

If printed, please complete using block capitals and black ink.

It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes and help text as incorrect completion will delay the processing of your application.

1. Applicant Name and Address

Title: First name:

Last name:

Company (optional):

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name:

Address 1:

Address 2:

Address 3:

Town:

County:

Country:

Postcode:

2. Agent Name and Address

Title: First name:

Last name:

Company (optional):

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name:

Address 1:

Address 2:

Address 3:

Town:

County:

Country:

Postcode:

3. Trees Location

If all trees stand at the address shown in Question 1, go to Question 4. Otherwise, please provide the full address/location of the site where the tree(s) stand (including full postcode where available)

Unit: House number: House suffix:
House name:
Address 1:
Address 2:
Address 3:
Town:
County:
Postcode (if known):

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, either describe as clearly as possible where it is (for example, 'Land to the rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road') or provide an Ordnance Survey grid reference:

Description:

TREE IS TO THE REAR OF THE PROPERTY BEYOND BOUNDARY TO THE PROPERTY ADJACENT TO B5294

4. Trees Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s): Yes No
If 'No' please provide the address of the owner (if known and if different from the trees location)

Title: First name:
Last name:
Company (optional):
Unit: House number: House suffix:
House name:
Address 1:
Address 2:
Address 3:
Town:
County:
Country:
Postcode:

Telephone numbers
Country code: National number: Extension number:
Country code: Mobile number (optional):
Country code: Fax number (optional):
Email address (optional):

5. What Are You Applying For?

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a TPO? Yes No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area? Yes No

6. Tree Preservation Order Details

If you know which TPO protects the tree(s), enter its title or number below.

TPO-023 - TREE 98

7. Identification Of Tree(s) And Description Of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary. You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work. Where trees are protected by a TPO, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the TPO where this is available. Use the same numbers on your sketch plan (see guidance notes).

Please provide the following information below: tree species (and the number used on the sketch plan) and description of works. Where trees are protected by a TPO you must also provide reasons for the work and, where trees are being felled, please give your proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

E.g. Oak (T3) - fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with 1 standard ash in the same place.

TREE 98 - IT IS BEING REQUESTED TO SIGNIFICANTLY PRUNE THE SYCAMORE - PREVIOUSLY PRUNED IN 2017 & REMOVE OVERHANGING BRANCHES WHICH YEAR ON YEAR RESTRICT SUNLIGHT INTO THE PROPERTY. ADVICE HAS BEEN SOUGHT FROM A REGISTERED TREE

7. Identification Of Tree(s) And Description Of Works continued ...

SURGEON (ALL SEASONS TREE SERVICES) ABOUT POSSIBLE WORK ON THE TREES & THE OWNER MR PRICE HAS AGREED TO LIAISE / DISCUSS ANY WORK WITH COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL IF THEY SO WISH, AND HAS AGREED THAT WORK NEEDS DOING TO THE TREES IN ORDER TO PREVENT POTENTIAL DAMAGE TO THE PROPERTY. THE TREE IS NOW WITHIN 15 FEET OF THE PROPERTY & IS CAUSING SIGNIFICANT STRESS & ANXIETY DURING PERIODS OF STRONG WINDS. THE ANNUAL FALL OF SEEDS FROM THE TREE IS BLOCKING GUTTERS & DOWNSPOTS & THE AMOUNT OF LEAVES THAT FALL INTO THE PROPERTIES BOUNDARY ARE BECOMING UNMANAGEABLE - (CONTINUED)

8. Trees - Additional Information

Additional information may be attached to electronic communications or provided separately in paper format.

For all trees

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in Question 7 must be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a TPO. A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area (see guidance notes). It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

For works to trees covered by a TPO

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following. If so, your application must be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals. (See guidance notes for further details)

1. **Condition of the tree(s)** - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall: Yes No
If YES, you are required to provide written arboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert.

2. **Alleged damage to property** - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives. Yes No
If YES, you are required to provide for:

Subsidence

A report by an engineer or surveyor, to include a description of damage, vegetation, monitoring data, soil, roots and repair proposals. Also a report from an arboriculturist to support the tree work proposals.

Other structural damage (e.g. drains, walls and hard surfaces)

Written technical evidence from an appropriate expert, including description of damage and possible solutions.

Documents and plans (for any tree)

Are you providing separate information (e.g. an additional schedule of work for Question 7)? Yes No

If YES, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application. If they are being provided separately from this form, please detail how they are being submitted.

12 - RHEDA CLOSE - 2023 - TPO23
PHOTOGRAPH - 12 RHEDA CLOSE - JUNE 23 - TPO23

9. Authority Employee / Member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent. For the purposes of this question, "relating to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the local planning authority.

Do any of the following statements apply to you and/or agent? Yes No With respect to the authority, I am:
(a) a member of staff
(b) an elected member
(c) related to a member of staff
(d) related to an elected member

If Yes, please provide details of their name, role and how you are related to them.

PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS TO HAVE WORK DONE TO THE TREES HAS BEEN REFUSED - PARTLY DUE TO THE HEALTH OF TREES AND PARTLY DUE TO THE COUNCILS USE OF THE TERM "TREES AMENITY VALUE", BUT NO EXPLANATION OF THE TERM "AMENITY" HAS EVER BEEN PROVIDED IN SUBSEQUENT REPLIES. I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY OF THE OWNERS OF PROPERTIES ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE ROAD OR LEADING UP TO THEM EVER BEING CONSULTED ON WHETHER THEY AGREE ABOUT THEIR "AMENITY" VALUE, OR BEING CONSULTED ABOUT WHETHER HEIGHT REDUCTION OR PRUNING WOULD INDEED BE BENEFICIAL FOR THE PROPERTIES, PARTICULARLY IF THE TREE WERE TO FALL ACROSS THE ROAD, WITH THE POTENTIAL TO DAMAGE THEIR PRORTY.

THE TREE THAT I AM REQUESTING TO PRUNE IS NOW LESS THAN 10 FEET AWAY FROM CABLES ADJACENT TO THE B5294, WITH DAMASE REGULARLY BEING SEEN FROM THE EVER INCREASING VOLUME OF LARGE HEAVY GOODS VEHICLES USING THE B5294 - THIS IS A REGULAR WITNESSED EVENT AS OUR LIVING ROOM LOOKS DIRECTLY ONTO THE ROAD.

IT HAS ALSO BEEN NOTED THAT IN SEPTEMBER OF 2022 A HEALTHY CHESTNUT TREE WAS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE IN SIZE ON THE NEW BECK STONES HOUSING DEVELOPMENT APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS AWAY, BECAUSE OF CONCERNS ABOUT HOW CLOSE THE TREE WAS TO THE PROPERTY WHICH IS SIMILAR IN DISTANCE TO TREE 98'S DISTANCE FROM 12 RHEDA CLOSE. IN ADDITION AN ASH TREE WAS REMOVED TO THE REAR OF 6 RHEDA CLOSE IN THE SAME YEAR, BUT OBVIOUSLY THEIR AMENITY VALUE WAS LESS THAN THE SYCAMORE TO THE REAR OF 12 RHEDA CLOSE.

WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS REQUESTING WORK TO BE DONE TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE TREES, BUT FEEL THE COUNCIL ARE NOT LISTENING TO OUR CONCERNS, AND YEAR ON YEAR WE ARE BEING SUBJECTED TO STRESS & ANXIETY DURING THE YEAR DUE TO THE INCREASING SIZE OF THE TREES, AND THE LACK OF ANY MAINTENANCE CARRIED OUT BY THE COUNCIL.

10. Application For Tree Works - Checklist

Only one copy of the application form and additional information (Question 8) is required. Please use the guidance and this checklist to make sure that this form has been completed correctly and that all relevant information is submitted. Please note that failure to supply precise and detailed information may result in your application being rejected or delayed. You do not need to fill out this section, but it may help you to submit a valid form.

Sketch Plan

- A sketch plan showing the location of all trees (see Question 8)

For all trees

(see Question 7)

- Clear identification of the trees concerned
- A full and clear specification of the works to be carried out

For works to trees protected by a TPO

(see Question 7)

Have you:

- stated reasons for the proposed works?
- provided evidence in support of the stated reasons? in particular:
 - if your reasons relate to the condition of the tree(s) - written evidence from an appropriate expert
 - if you are alleging subsidence damage - a report by an appropriate engineer or surveyor and one from an arboriculturist.
 - in respect of other structural damage - written technical evidence
- included all other information listed in Question 8?

11. Declaration - Trees

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I/we confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

Signed - Applicant:

Or signed - Agent:

Date:

 (This date must not be before the date of sending or hand-delivery of the form)

12. Applicant Contact Details

Telephone numbers

<input type="text"/>	Extension number:	<input type="text"/>
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Country code:	Mobile number (optional):
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Country code:	Fax number (optional):
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Email address (optional):

13. Agent Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code:	National number:	Extension number:
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Country code:	Mobile number (optional):
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Country code:	Fax number (optional):
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Email address (optional):