

# CAPITA

## ***ARBORICULTURAL REPORT***

Summary Report for Copeland Borough Council

Prepared by Alistair Hearn

**Reference:** 4/21/2541/TPO

**Location:** 2 Park View, Egremont

**Officer:** Chloe Unsworth

**Date:** 18 December 2021

### **CONSULTANTS REPORT**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL**

Removal Of English Oak Tree

#### **DISCUSSION**

The oak tree shows signs of normal health and is located in the garden area, about 3-5m north of the house. The southern crown overhangs the house roof and northern crown overhangs the full width of the road. The tree appears to be in a good condition with no significant defects. We expect it could last for 20-40 years.

Careful pruning work, in accordance with the British Standard (BS 3998:2010), could reduce the size of the crown sufficiently to allow it to be retained.

The site is not within the Egremont Conservation Area.

Our TEMPO assessment (page 2) shows this tree 'definitely merits' protection with a TPO.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

We recommend reducing the tree's crown radius to the north, east, and west by 1-2m and creating a measurable 1-2m clearance from the building. This will leave a measurable crown radius of 4-5m overhanging the road and garden. The maximum pruned branch diameter should be less than 75mm.

1. Carry out all pruning work in accordance with BS3998:2010 *Tree work – Recommendations*, section 7.6 'Crown lifting' and section 7.7 'Crown reduction and reshaping'.

**Reason:** In accordance with Section 198 of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act and in the interest of good forestry and arboricultural practice.

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TEMPO Assessment					
Part 1: Amenity Assessment					
<b>a) Condition &amp; Suitability:</b>	5-Good = <i>Highly Suitable</i> 3-Fair/Satisfactory = <i>Suitable</i> 1-Poor = Unlikely to be <i>suitable</i> 0-Dead/dying/dangerous = <i>Unsuitable</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>b) Retention span (in years) &amp; suitability for TPO:</b>	5-100+ = <i>Highly Suitable</i> 4-40-100 = <i>Very suitable</i> 2-20-40 = <i>Suitable</i> 1-10-20 = <i>Just suitable</i> 0-<10 = <i>Unsuitable</i>	<b>2</b>
<b>c) Relative public visibility &amp; suitability for TPO:</b>	5-Very large with some visibility, or prominent large trees = <i>Highly Suitable</i> 4-Large trees, or medium trees clearly visible to the public = <i>Suitable</i> 3-Medium trees, or large trees with limited view only = <i>Suitable</i> 2-Young, small, or medium/large trees visible only with difficulty = <i>Barely suitable</i> 1-Trees not visible to the public, regardless of size = <i>Unsuitable</i>	<b>4</b>	<b>d) Other factors – trees must have accrued 7 or more points (with no zero score) to qualify:</b>	5-Principal components of formal arboricultural features, or veteran trees 4-Tree groups, or principal members of groups important for their cohesion 3-Trees with identifiable historic, commemorative or habitat importance 2-Trees of particularly good form, especially if rare or unusual 1-Trees with none of the above additional redeeming features (inc. those of indifferent form) -1-Trees with poor form or which are generally unsuitable for their location	<b>2</b>
<b>Part 2: Expediency Assessment</b> <i>trees must have accrued 10 or more points to qualify:</i>			<b>Part 3: Decision guide</b>		
5-Immediate threat to tree inc. s.211 Notice 3-Foreseeable threat to tree 2- Perceived threat to tree 1-Precautionary only	<b>3</b>		Any 0 = <i>Do not apply TPO</i> 1-6 = <i>TPO indefensible</i> 7-11 = <i>Does not merit TPO</i> 12-15 = <i>TPO defensible</i> 16+ = <i>Definitely merits TPO</i>	<b>16</b>	