

ARBORICULTURAL REPORT

Summary Report for Cumberland Council

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Reference: 4/24/2237/TPO

Location: 6 ROWANGATE, WHITEHAVEN.

Officer: Demi Crawford


Date: 01 August 2024

CONSULTANTS REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

APPLICATION TREE NO.	SPECIES	PROPOSED WORKS
T1 & T2	2x Eucalyptus	Felling of T1 (Eucalyptus tree) and reduction of height and width of T2 (Eucalyptus tree) by 1m and 0.5 m spread which are situated within a Conservation Area.
REASON		
'T1, Eucalyptus, Fell due to close proximity to garden retaining wall (less than 25mm) before damage can occur. T2, Eucalyptus, (probably sucker growth from T1) Reduce height by 1m and spread by 0.5m to maintain at a small size.'		

DISCUSSION

	<p>The Eucalyptus trees are in the mature age class and shows signs of normal health.</p> <p>The trees are growing at the top of a retaining wall and the crowns are dominant within the garden.</p>
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From the Cumberland Council website, the rear of 8 Rowangate falls within the Whitehaven Hensingham Conservation Area.

We consider the work detailed in the application reasonable to prevent the trees becoming a nuisance.

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Our TEMPO assessment (below) shows a TPO is indefensible.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Inform the applicant the Council does not object to the work detailed in the notification or wait for the six-week determination period to lapse.

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TEMPO Assessment							
Part 1: Amenity Assessment							
a) Condition & Suitability:	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>	T1	T2	b) Retention span (in years) & suitability for TPO:	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>	T1	T2
		3	3			1	1
c) Relative public visibility & suitability for TPO:	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>	2	2	d) Other factors – trees must have accrued 7 or more points (with no zero score) to qualify:	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	0	0
Part 2: Expediency Assessment trees must have accrued 10 or more points to qualify:				Part 3: Decision guide			
5-Immediate threat to tree inc. s.211 Notice 3-Foreseeable threat to tree 2- Perceived threat to tree 1-Precautionary only	T1	T2	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>	T1	T2		
	0	0		6	6		