

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO.164

DIRECTORATE: COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT

REPORT AUTHOR: KIERON MANNING, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - PLANNING

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To have confirmed one (temporary) Tree Preservation Order, made by the Planning Manager under delegated powers. The order currently provides 6 months of temporary protection for the tree, but is required to be confirmed by the Planning Committee to provide long term future protection.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 A Tree Preservation Order gives statutory protection to trees that contribute to the amenity, natural heritage or attractiveness and character of a locality.
- 2.2 The making of any Tree Preservation Order is likely to result in further demands on staff time to deal with any applications submitted for consent to carry out tree work and to provide advice and assistance to owners and others regarding protected trees. This is, however, contained within existing staffing resources.
- 2.3 The making of Tree Preservation Orders reduces the risk of losing important trees, groups of trees and woodlands. It further allows the Council to protect trees that contribute to local environment quality.

3. Background

- 3.1 Tree Preservation Order 164 was made on 21st June 2021 protecting 1no. Betula Pendula (Silver Birch) tree in the front garden of 8 Hawthorn Road, Lincoln, LN2 4QX.
- 3.2 The tree is considered to contribute to the visual amenity of the area and the unauthorised removal of the tree would be considered to be detrimental to visual amenity.
- 3.3 The initial 6 months of protection would end for the Tree Preservation Order on 21st December 2021.

4. Consideration

The reason for making a Tree Preservation Order on this site is as a result of a request from the landowner to ensure the long-term protection of the tree in the future.

The Arboricultural Officer identified the tree, following a site visit, to be suitable for

protection under a Tree Preservation Order stating that the tree has a high amenity value, and the removal would have an effect on the aesthetic appearance of the area.

Following a 32-day consultation period no objections have been received to the order.

5. Strategic Priorities

- 5.1 Confirmation of Tree Preservation Order 164 would ensure that the tree would not be removed or worked on without the express permission of the Council which would be considered detrimental to visual amenity and as such the protection of the tree would contribute to enhancing our remarkable place.

6. Organisational Impacts

- 6.1 Legal Implications – Anyone who wishes to carry out works to the tree will require consent from the City of Lincoln Council first.

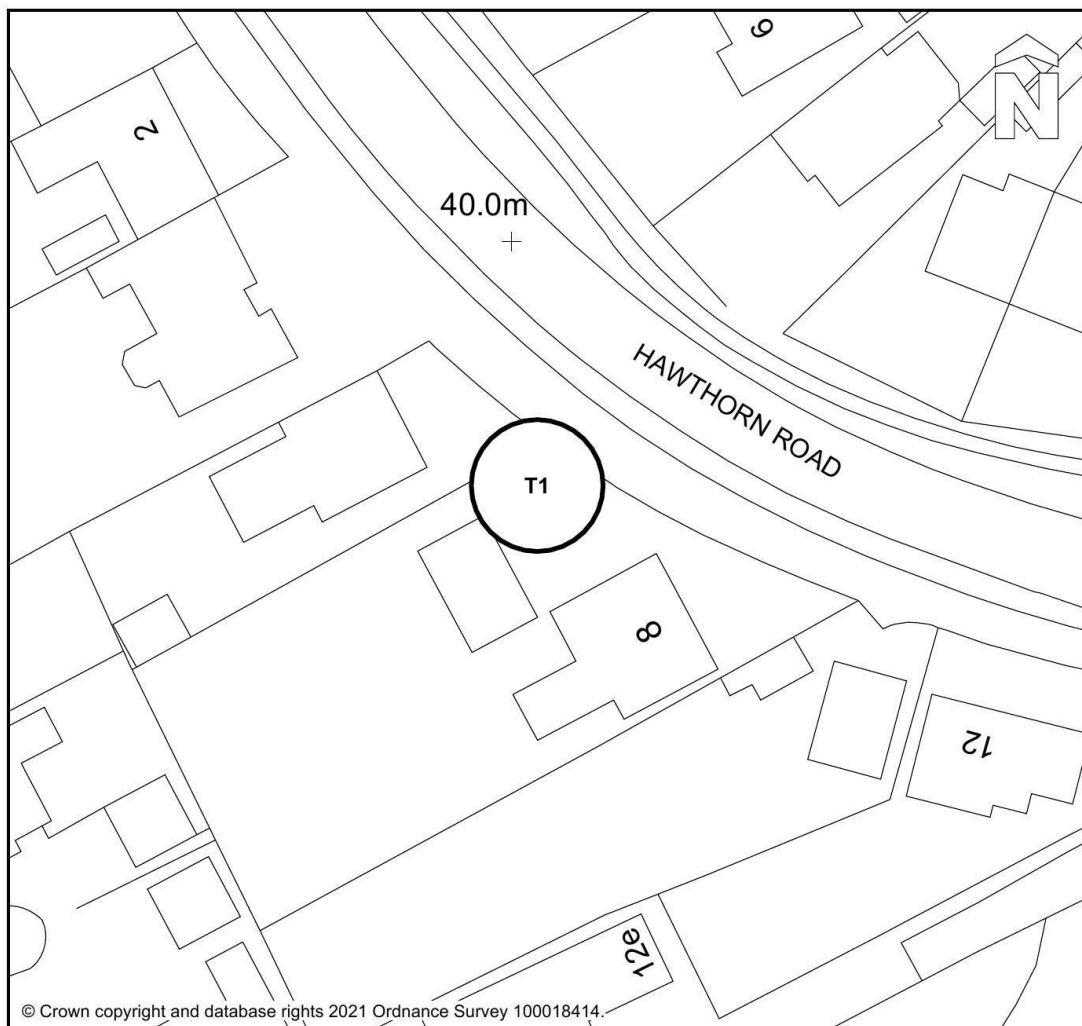
7. Recommendation

- 7.1 It is recommended that Members confirm the Tree Preservation Order without modifications, and that the Officer carries out the requisite procedures for confirmation.

How many appendices does the report contain? One

List of Background Papers: None

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Hawthorn Road No.1 Tree Preservation Order 2021

T1 - Silver Birch

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