

**SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO.171**

**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 171 was made on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022 protecting one Betula Pendula (Silver Birch) tree in the front garden of 288 Skellingthorpe Road, Lincoln, LN6 0EX
- 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 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

## **4. Consideration**

The reason for making a Tree Preservation Order on this site is as a result of an application from the occupier of 288 Skellingthorpe Road to reduce the canopy of the tree. The tree is located within a Conservation Area, and it was through this assessment process that the Arboricultural Officer identified it being worth of a Tree Preservation Order to ensure its protection in the future. The tree has been

identified as being in good condition with a full canopy which does not exhibit signs of die back, overall enhancing the amenity appearance of the immediate area.

Following a one month consultation period, no objections have been received to the order.

## **5. Strategic Priorities**

- 5.1 Confirmation of Tree Preservation Order 171 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.

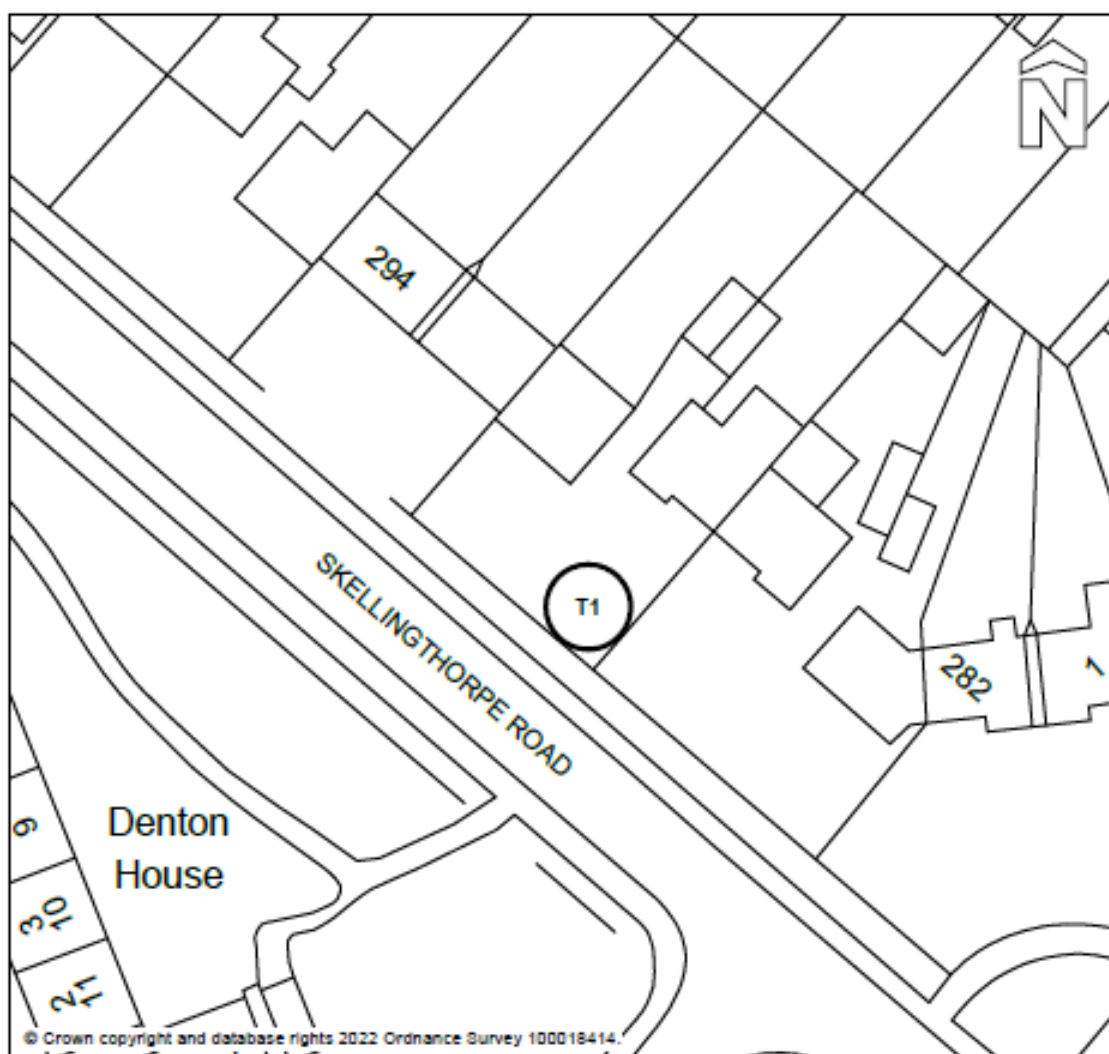
## **7. Recommendation**

- 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?** None

**List of Background Papers:** None


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### Skellingthorpe Road (288) Tree Preservation Order 2022

T1 - Silver Birch

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