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OFFICER REPORT – DELEGATED

Application number: P/17/032/TWA	Expiry date: 16 May 2017
Received on: 30 March 2017	Neighbour expiry date: NONE CONSULTED
UPRN: 000192001361	Consultation expiry date:
Legal agreement:	Site notice posted:
Departure:	Site notice expiry:
Complies with Development Plan? Y/N If not, ensure you cover in the report how material considerations outweigh the plan?	
Is this decision contrary to local council recommendation?	

Applicant:	Mr Alistair Martin Duchy of Cornwall
Site Address:	Parting Carn Farm Parting Carn Lane Parting Carn St Mary's Isles Of Scilly TR21 ONE
Proposal:	Deadwooding and crownlifting of any low hanging and dangerous branches and felling of two dead trees.
Application Type:	Tree Works Applications

Description of site and development:

This is a notification of an intention to carry out tree works to (unspecified) trees at Parting Carn Farm. The trees are located to the south west of the farm buildings at Parting Carn Farm. The works are stated as deadwood and crown lifting of dangling and dangerous branches and felling of two very dead trees. It is stated that the trees have not been managed and now present a danger to the farmer and livestock. Recent weather has caused root movement in some larger trees and deadwood removal will improve the agricultural value of the land and improve the health of the trees.

Public representations:

None

Consultee representations:

None

Constraints and designations:

Conservation Area, AONB, Heritage Coast

Appraisal/key issues and conclusion:



The area in which the trees are located is characterised by the cluster farm buildings and the surrounding undulating farmland of open fields and distinctive hedge field boundaries. Many of the trees at Parting Carn Farm are large mature elm trees that form distinctive linear boundaries and perhaps have grown out of smaller field enclosures. The historic landscape character for this part of St Mary's is identified as farmland of 'modern enclosures' post 1908 but which lie on the edge of more anciently enclosed farmland 'prehistoric to post-medieval period.

The works proposed will result in tree retention with the removal of deadwood which on an active farm is important for the management of the landscape and the well-being of livestock, building and the tenants of the farm itself. The removal of dead trees can be undertaken without formal notification through the section 211 notice but informing the LPA is always recommended.

Whilst it is considered that Elm Trees, as a native deciduous tree species, under threat of disease elsewhere on mainland Britain, are an important tree to retain, the reasons given for the works are considered acceptable. Removal of deadwood from living tree canopies and the removal of two dead trees, providing the works are carried out appropriately and to British Standards for Tree Works, will not result in a particular loss of amenity for this area. The removal of a dead trees is considered acceptable.

Overall therefore it is not considered appropriate to impose a Tree Preservation Order on the trees in this case.

Recommendation:**No objections**

Signed: 	Dated: 19/04/2017	Signed: 	Dated: 02/05/2017
Planning Officer		Senior Manager	