Council of the Isles of Scilly Delegated Planning Report Tree Works Notification

Application Number: P/22/086/TWA **Received on:** 19 December 2022

UPRN: 000192002814

Application Expiry date: 31 January 2023 **Neighbour expiry date:** 11 January 2023

Consultation expiry date: N/A

Site notice posted: 21 December 2022 **Site notice expiry:** 11 January 2023

Applicant: Mr Peter Green

Site Address: Holy Vale Farmhouse Outbuildings

Holy Vale St Mary's Isles Of Scilly

Proposal: Application to sectionally fell and remove 1x Pinus Radiata

(Monterey Pine) which is approx 30 metres in height which is situated approx 25 yards to the north of building complex at

Holy Vale.

Application Type: Tree Works Applications

Recommendation: No objections

Site Description and Proposed Development

This is an application to remove a Monterey Pine on the land to the rear of the outbuildings at Holy Vale Farmhouse. The tree is located on the northern boundary of the land which will be landscaped as part of the development of the outbuildings into residential units of accommodation. It estimated to be around 30m in height and spread and located approximately 20m from the Theatre Club store building and just under 25-30m from the outbuildings which are undergoing redevelopment into

The land on which the tree is located slopes down southwards into Holy Vale and the main trunk is adjacent west to the car parking area for the new development. There are a few elm and pine trees in the vicinity but this tree one of the largest and most prominent of them all. The application states that the tree is in good health (notwithstanding the dropping of some lower limbs) however as it continues to mature it is increasingly at risk of further limb dropping and uprooting due to windblow. This could cause the tree to fall with a risk of damage to the surrounding buildings and services.

Consultations and Publicity

The application has had a site notice on display for 21 days (21/12/2022 – 11/01/2023). The application appeared on the weekly list on 28th December 2022. Due to the nature of the proposal no external consultations are required.

Representations from Residents:

Neighbouring properties written to directly:

- Chy Kelyn, Bahn Noy & 3, Holy Vale
- [0] letters of objection have been received and include the following points:
- [0] letters of support have been received and include the following points:

Constraints:

- Conservation Area
- Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Heritage Coast
- Archaeological Constraint Area Holy Vale 40m

Tree Assessment

| Tree Works Proposed | YES OR NO |
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| Tree Felling | YES |
| Tree Pruning | NO |
| Works required to reduce hazards | YES |

| Works required for general tree maintenance | NO |
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| Multiple Trees | NO |
| Single Tree | YES |
| Native Trees | NO |
| High Amenity Value | YES |

Analysis: The trees are protected by the Conservation Area designation which covers the entire Isles of Scilly. Prior to any person undertaking tree pruning or felling works they are required to serve Notice 211 on the Council, allowing 6 weeks notification of any tree works to be carried out. This allows sufficient time for the Local Planning Authority to assess the appropriateness of the works proposed and determine whether a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) is required, that would essentially permit the use of restrictive conditions on any works proposed. It also ensures that adequate (and qualified) justification is submitted to support the works, particularly in cases of tree removal, where the works are deemed to have harmful impact upon the amenity value they hold and any importance to the character of the conservation area.

Whilst the tree is not native it does hold good amenity value particularly in the immediate area although this is primarily achieved as part of a wider group of trees. Significant wider landscape views are not apparent due to the proximity of it relative to the trees in Holy Vale. The tree is large and is within close proximity of residential and other buildings nearby. It is not considered necessary, in this case, to impose a TPO in this case, as the remaining trees would still retain a high amenity value.

| Tree Preservation Order | YES OR NO |
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| Recommendation for a TPO | NO |

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Authorised Officer with Delegated Authority to determine Planning Applications