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

Application Number: P/24/017/TWA

**Received on:** 27 February 2024 **UPRN:** 000192002877

Application Expiry date: 9 April 2024 Neighbour expiry date: 22 March 2024

Consultation expiry date: N/A
Site notice posted: 29 February 2024
Site notice expiry: 21 March 2024

Applicant: South West Water Ltd

Site Address: SWW Temporary Construction Compound

Parting Carn Lane

Parting Carn St Mary's Isles Of Scilly

**Proposal:** Pruning of Elms along northern boundary and Monterey

Pines along western boundary to provide access for

construction plant.

Application Type: Tree Works Applications

Recommendation: No objection

# **Site Description and Proposed Development**

The site is located off the junction of Parting Carn Lane and Old Town Lane. The land is formed of agricultural fields lined by a belt of trees along the west boundary and trees along the hedge bounding the main road to the north of the site. The site in question is that approved for a temporary use of land as a construction compound with associated welfare facilities to support South West Water upgrade to waste and water infrastructure across the Isles of Scilly for up to four years.

The wider site forms part of the farmland at Parting Carn Farm used for green waste composting and various for egg-laying chickens.

This proposal is to prune English Elms along the northern boundary of the entrance to the site and to prune the limbs of the Monterey Pines along the western edge of the site 2-3m above the hedgerow and no further than required (no works to trunks). A fallen tree will also be removed – this does not require

further notice or consideration. The reason given for the works is to enable construction traffic to enter/exit unhindered and safely.

## Consultations and Publicity

The application has had a site notice on display for 21 days (29/02/2024 – 21/03/2024). The application appeared on the weekly list on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024).

Due to the nature of the proposal no external consultations are required.

## Representations from Residents:

Neighbouring properties written to directly:

- Parting Carn Farmhouse, Parting Carn
- [0] letters of objection have been received
- [0] letters of support have been received

#### Constraints:

- Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Conservation Area
- Heritage Coast
- Archaeological Constraint Area Tremelethan 150m

#### Tree Assessment

Tree Works Proposed	YES OR NO
Tree Felling	N
Tree Pruning	Υ
Works required to reduce hazards	Υ
Works required for general tree maintenance	Υ
Multiple Trees	Υ
Single Tree	N
Native Trees	Y & N
High Amenity Value	Υ

**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.

The trees subject to this application are located on the boundaries of agricultural land providing shelter to the land. The non-native Monterey Pines on the west boundary and native Elms on the northern boundary do hold some amenity value. The works proposed is limited to pruning to ensure the safety of those using the site. There is no pollarding or removal proposed. It is therefore considered that the level and nature of the works is considered to be acceptable.

Tree Preservation Order	YES OR NO
Recommendation for a TPO	N

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Signed:

Authorised Officer with Delegated Authority to determine Planning Applications