

# **COUNCIL OF THE ISLES OF SCILLY**

#### **OFFICER REPORT - DELEGATED**

Application number: P/17/024/TWA	Expiry date: 28 April 2017		
Received on: 16 March 2017	Neighbour expiry date: NONE CONSULTED		
UPRN: 000192000147	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 Phil Spence
Site Address:	South Hill South'ard Bryher Isles Of Scilly TR23 OPR
Proposal:	Removal of Bay Tree and Scots Pine adjacent to South of dwelling due to shading and crowding of other species. Deadwood, tidy and clear around telephone line of Monterey Cypress.
Application Type:	Tree Works Applications

# **Description of site and development:**

This is a notification application for tree works on Bryher. South Hill is a property located at South'ard to the south side of the island of Bryher. The tree works include a reduction of the boundary hedge by a third overall (works that do not require a notification) the removal of a bay tree and a pine tree in the rear garden and the removal of deadwood and clearing branches from the telephone cables from one cypress tree to the front of the property. The reasons given for the works are to allow greater light into the property and garden and are required because they have become overgrown and unmanageable.

# **Public representations:**

None

### Appraisal/key issues and conclusion:

The small island of Bryher is not characterised by the presence of large trees. There are areas where the trees that form the flower field boundaries, have spread to other areas as in the case of the pittosporum trees, which grow well on the islands but generally there are only a few trees. The trees on Bryher appear

to be limited to those planted as part of domestic gardens as in the case of South Hill or are retained as flower field boundaries or are grown out of former boundaries of flower growing fields.

The trees at South Hill hold some amenity value, they are visible from the road running to the east side of the property and from the properties opposite at Veronica Farm including the Brow. They are also visible from the Tresco Channel and the nearby boatyard and as such they do hold some amenity value. Overall the tidying up of the crown to the cypress tree to the front of the property and the removal of a bay tree and pine tree in the rear garden would not result in a significant loss of amenity value overall at this site. The works are considered acceptable and as such it is not appropriate in this case to designate a Tree Preservation Order on the trees.

Recommendation:		

## Raise no objections

Signed: Dated: Signed: Dated: 18/04/2017 Senior Manager Dated: 19/04/2017