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OFFICER REPORT – DELEGATED

Application number: P/17/028/TWA	Expiry date: 16 May 2017
Received on: 30 March 2017	Neighbour expiry date: NONE CONSULTED
UPRN: 000192001723	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:	1 Telegraph Bungalows Telegraph Road Telegraph St Mary's Isles Of Scilly TR21 ONP
Proposal:	Removal of two large pine trees on land adjacent (South) of 1 Telegraph Bungalows.
Application Type:	Tree Works Applications

Description of site and development:

This is an application to fell 2 large pine trees that are growing close to number 1 Telegraph Bungalows. The reason given for removal is that the trees are leaning towards the Bungalow and are interfering with overhead power lines. The application form notes that the root plates of both trees are moved towards the bungalow. It is also stated that the works can only be carried out when the power is switched off on the power cables adjacent to the trees.

Public representations:

None

Consultee representations:

None

Constraints and designations:

Conservation Area, Heritage Coast, AONB

Appraisal/key issues and conclusion:

The two pine trees are growing on the end of a plantation belt of coniferous trees that runs up the west side of Telegraph Road from the south up to the bungalows at Telegraph. The large trees are therefore highly visible as part of this row of pine trees. The identification of the movement of the tree roots together with the proximity to a residential property suggests they are posing a risk to the property and its inhabitants. The potential interference with electricity cables also suggests they are at the very least in need of pruning back.

As part of a belt of trees the two pine trees, proposed to be felled, form an important and highly visible presence in the conservation area. It is considered however that individually the two trees hold only limited amenity value for the conservation area. The loss of the two trees would not result in significant harm to the conservation area or wider amenity of the area. Given the potential risk to electricity supply and the adjacent dwelling it is considered that the benefits of tree removal in this case outweighs the limited harm to the amenity of the area. It is therefore not recommended that a TPO is designated.

Recommendation:

No objections

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Planning Officer		Senior Manager	