

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

Application Number: P/23/089/TWA

Received on: 16 November 2023

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Application Expiry date: 1 January 2024

Neighbour expiry date: 12 December 2023

Consultation expiry date: N/A

Site notice posted: 21 November 2023

Site notice expiry: 12 December 2023

Applicant: Mr Alistair Martin Duchy of Cornwall
Site Address: Tamarisk
The Garrison
St Mary's
Isles Of Scilly
TR21 0LS
Proposal: Removal of 1 large branch on 1x mature Elm at Tamarisk which is overhanging Hugh House. Trim back of smaller branches to enhance tree health.
Application Type: Tree Works Applications

Recommendation: PER

Site Description and Proposed Development

Partially re-built in 2017, Tamarisk is a one and a half storey dwelling set back from the main Garrison track to the south of Hugh House and behind Heugh Cottage. The dwelling is barely visible from the public realm set in behind the walls and garage of Hugh House with land rising to the rear, only the roof can be seen from own in Hugh Town.

This application relates to a mature Elm tree in the grounds of the property set by the entrance gate in front of the dwelling. A large branch requires removal for safety purposes along with some trimming of smaller branches to enhance tree health.

Consultations and Publicity

The application has had a site notice on display for 21 days (21/11/2023 – 12/12/2023). The application appeared on the weekly list on 27th November 2023.

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

Representations from Residents:

Neighbouring properties written to directly:

- Ground Floor Flat, North Flat & South Flat, Hugh House, The Garrison
- Gwentor & Heugh Cottage, The Garrison

[0] letters of objection have been received

[0] letters of support have been received

Constraints:

- Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Conservation Area
- Heritage Coast
- Listed Building
 - Grade II – Hugh House - Adjacent
 - Grade II – Garrison Walls – 20m
- Scheduled Monument – Garrison Walls – Adjacent
- Archaeological Constraint Area - Within

Tree Assessment

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

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 tree is set in front of the property by the entrance gate. The rest of the site has a number of hedging plants and small trees in the front garden with further mature trees to the rear. The tree subject to the application is evidently mature and holds some amenity value within the site although views of it are limited from outside the site.

The works proposed are to remove a large branch overhanging footpaths and encroaching on neighbouring property and also some general reduction work. These works are recommended by the Duchy of Cornwall's Head Forester who recognizes the age and significance of the tree and the need for sympathetic works to manage future growth.

It is not considered that the works would be detrimental to the character and appearance of the conservation area as the trees are being retained.

Tree Preservation Order	YES OR NO
Recommendation for a TPO	N

Print Name: Lisa Walton 12/01/2024
Job Title: Chief Planning Officer
Signed: 

Authorised Officer with Delegated Authority to determine Planning Applications
