

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

**Application Number:** P/25/014/TWA

**Received on:** 10 February 2025

**UPRN:** 000192001622

**Application Expiry date:** 10 April 2025

**Applicant:** Mr Alastair Cochran

**Site Address:** Pendragon  
Porthloo  
St Mary's  
Isles Of Scilly  
TR21 0NF

**Proposal:** Application to remove overhanging deadwood, crown-lift and prune 2 x pine trees to the North East of the coastal path bordering Juliet's Garden and adjacent to the South West boundary of Pendragon.

**Application Type:** Tree Works Applications

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**Recommendation:** PER

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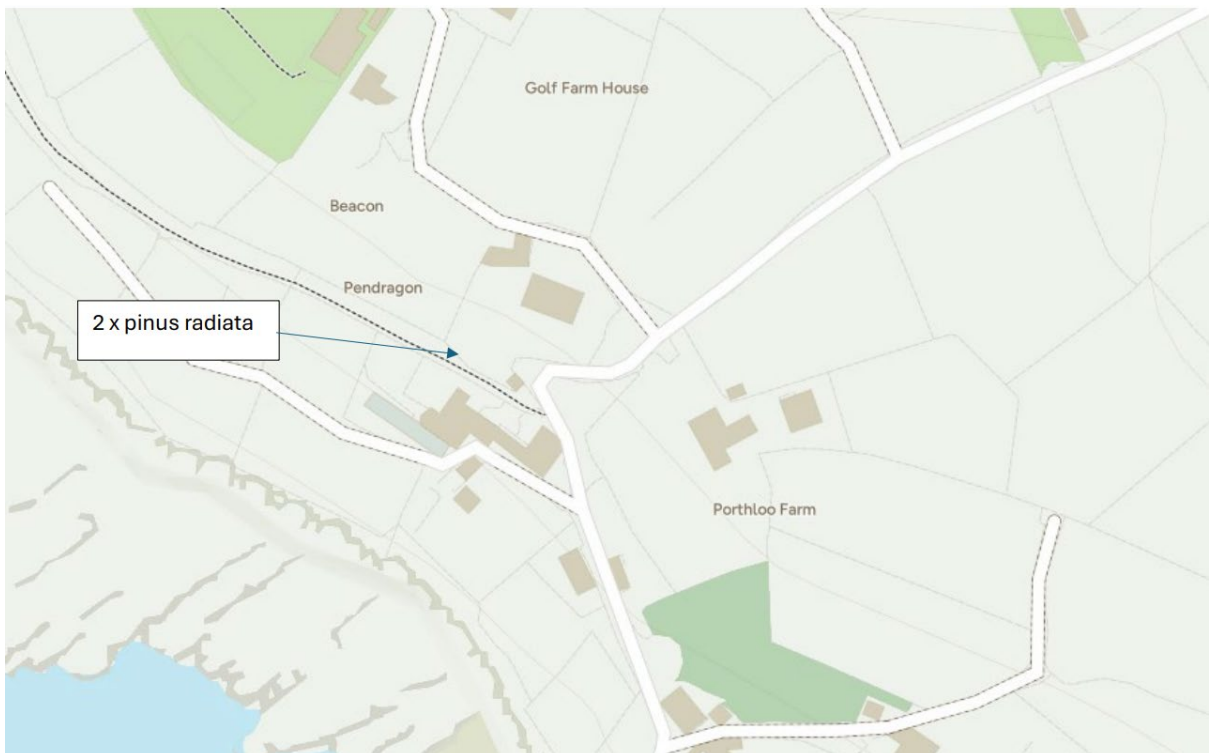
## Site Description and Proposed Development

Pendragon is a prominent, detached dwelling on Porthloo Lane. To the south west of the property, running adjacent to its boundary, is a public footpath that offers access to the coastal path and Juliet's Garden café and restaurant. On the northern boundary of the property is Golf Club Lane and to the south is Porthloo Lane which slopes downhill to Porthloo beach.

The two Monterey Pines (*pinus radiata*) in question are located in the south west corner of the property's garden, adjacent to the aforementioned footpath. Due to the sloping topography of the area, the trees are visible from all of the nearby aspects listed above. More widely, the Pines can be seen from several locations on St Mary's northern foreshore including Town Beach and Porthmellon.

The proposal is to remove the deadwood, crown-lift and prune the trees, which are both showing signs of windblow and over-maturity. The application states that there is significant deadwood overhanging the public footpath, citing a potential health and safety issue, and that there is also deadwood overhanging the polythene tunnel in Pendragon's garden.

The stated intention of the application is to preserve the trees, enhance their health and remove the potential health and safety issues identified.



### Consultations and Publicity

The application has had a site notice on display for 21 days (27/02/2025 – 20/03/2025). The application appeared on the weekly list on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025. Due to the nature of the proposal no external consultations are required.

### Representations from Residents:

None

### Constraints:

Conservation Area

### 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	Y
Single Tree	N
Native Trees	N
High Amenity Value	N

**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 Monterey Pine (*pinus radiata*) is a vigorous, salt spray resistant, evergreen conifer belonging to the Pinaceae family. Although it is not a native species, Monterey's are enjoyed by many as a characteristic of the islands landscape and the Pines in question can be seen from several locations on St Mary's northern foreshore. As a result, it is judged the trees hold some public amenity value.


A site visit to the public footpath adjacent to Pendragon's boundary, where the trees are located, took place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2025. The visit confirmed that the trees in question are overhanging the footpath and polytunnel, as shown on the photographs overleaf. It was noted that a section of the deadwood identified in the application is in the direct vicinity of the entrance steps to Juliet's Garden and could pose a potential health and safety issue if not removed.

As the Pines are being retained, and because the work should enhance their health, it is not considered necessary to impose a TPO.



<b>Tree Preservation Order</b>	<b>YES OR NO</b>
<b>Recommendation for a TPO</b>	N

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