

## APPENDIX A

1<sup>st</sup> November 2010

Head of Legal  
Equalities and Democratic Services  
Bromsgrove District Council  
The Council House  
Burcot Lane  
Bromsgrove  
Worcestershire, B60 1AA

Dear Sir / Madam

***Appeal Against :-  
Tree Preservation Order (No 14) 2010, dated 24<sup>th</sup> September 2010.***

Further to your letter confirming that the small woodlands area behind Stourbridge Road is subject to a temporary TPO we would like to clarify our position with purchasing this land and our intentions.

The area indicated on your schedule is a natural habitat for wildlife and has the benefit of a public right of way. Our intention is to allow this area to remain the same and undisturbed as much as possible. We will also seek advice from a specialised tree surgeon which trees are dangerous and are cause for concern which may lead to endanger the public or damage surrounding buildings; and with permission from the council take the necessary action in due course.

We believe there has never been a TPO on this land and our main reason for purchasing this land associated with this woodland is to avoid any planning for construction behind the Stourbridge Road where we live. We believe the previous owner [REDACTED] sought and obtained permission to gain access through the woodland to cultivate the land behind Stourbridge Road as this is the only access to the land at the side. We will also need to use this to maintain the field.

We have also contacted all the residents whose properties are linked to the land giving them our contact details if there are any concerns. All residents are aware of the TPO and know that no work can be carried out on trees of concern until approval from the council is sought and granted or the TPO is lifted.

With the details above we do hope there is no need to make this preservation order permanent and we can work together as before. As we intend to cultivate the land behind our house giving us direct access to the woodlands and surrounding area, the land will therefore be used regularly, giving the public the peace of mind that the woodlands are now being maintained and cared for rather than been neglected as previous.

If you strongly feel that the TPO should remain in force as a caution, can we suggest that only selected trees have the TPO and not the entire woodlands. This will enable us to keep the woodlands maintained and deal with any trees of concern promptly when necessary without the additional expense for further reports and time involved arranging meetings etc before any work can be carried out. This will in the long term benefit the well established trees giving them the chance to thrive and keep healthy.

If you require any further information before you make your decision please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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