

Tarek Ball

From: Env Svs Support Unit
Sent: 17 October 2019 09:33
To: Tarek Ball
Subject: FW: Your ref TB/TPO (6) 2019 Holm Oak to the front of 2, Milton Drive, Hagley
Attachments: MVA_13_2019_10.pdf

Hi Tarek

Please see reference 86398. And email below

I have added the email to this ticket

Thanks
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From: Louise Perrins [redacted]
Sent: 16 October 2019 22:01
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Dear Sirs,

I am writing in reference to the above temporary TPO, of which I received notification on the 5th October. In response, a report has been completed, by Morfe Valley Arboriculture, at my request which is attached below.

The order states the the council's reason for making the order is the amenity value of the tree. The tree is in an unadopted cul de sac and cannot be seen from the public highway. It is far too large for the area in which it is situated, and is causing damage to sewage and storm drains. Both Severn Trent and Homeserve have had to attend three times this year alone, to deal with blockages along our drive. One one occasion we woke to find raw sewage floating past our front door at a height of about three inches. This is clearly a health hazard.

The tree blocks access to our home. On one side we have to drive on to our neighbours property to pass by. If any of the houses has a visitor, it causes a problem when leaving in a car that was parked on our drive. If more than one house has a visitor, we have to knock if we wish to leave our property and ask them to move. One of our neighbours can have up three visiting cars at any one time.

The driveway has been re-surfaced around the tree but already the tree roots have uplifted it again, which is not only unsightly but also shows the proximity of the large roots to our houses. As the houses were built in 1971, the houses do not have the deeper foundations of more recent buildings and we understand that the combination of the clay-like soil and these large roots destroying the drains, could cause subsidence.

At a time before we became the owners of the tree, it has been poorly managed, as detailed in the report by Morfe Valley Arboriculture. The report also explains that there are two types of disease present on the tree making any TPO a temporary measure at best. The tree is dying and it is my understanding that this makes it unsuitable for a TPO.

Would you please confirm receipt of this email and let me know wether a physical letter is necessary? I called your office and I was told an email was fine, but I would like that in writing please. If an email is not sufficient, would you please respond in time for me to print and send a letter?

Yours faithfully,

Louise Perrins

Sent from my iPad