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Application for Tree Works: Works to Trees Subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) and/or Notification of Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Tree Location

Please provide the address of the site where the tree(s) stands (full address if possible)

Number

18

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Rosewood

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Wokingham

Town/city

Woodley

Postcode

RG5 3QU

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

475709

Northing (y)

171932

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is

(for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

James

Surname

French

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

18 ROSEWOOD

Address line 2

WOODLEY

Address line 3

Town/City

Reading

County

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

RG5 3QU

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

What Are You Applying For?

Based on the type of work proposed and the location and protected status of the trees involved, there are various details and supporting information that will need to be supplied in order for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application.

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Do you know the Tree Preservation Order reference number(s)?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Please enter the title or number for each relevant Tree Preservation Order

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following.

If so, your application MUST be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals ([see guidance notes for further details](#)).

Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives.

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Documents and plans (for any tree)

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works' MUST be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area ([see guidance notes](#)).

It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

Are you providing additional information in support of your application (e.g. an additional schedule of work for the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If Yes, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application

Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out

For the attention of:

Tree Officer

Community, Heritage, Green & Blue Infrastructure

Place & Growth

Wokingham Borough Council

Subject: Tree Works Application – 18 Rosewood, RG5 3QU (TPO-0003-1951)

Further to your pre-application advice, I am writing to formally request permission to carry out the following tree works at our property, 18 Rosewood, RG5 3QU. These works relate to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO-0003-1951) and are detailed below with reference to the attached plan:

Items 1–15 (Leylandii hedge):

We propose the removal of the Leylandii hedge, which is significantly overhanging the public pavement and obstructing access to our garage. The hedge also prevents any underplanting and appears to have been planted directly above the foul water sewer, raising concerns about potential root damage to underground infrastructure.

Item 16 (Cypress hybrid):

We seek permission to remove this tree, which is currently pressing against the building wall and has already broken the guttering. Removal is intended to prevent further structural damage.

Item 17 (Black Cherry):

We request permission to carry out pruning works to provide adequate clearance from adjacent built structures and, if necessary, to lift the crown. The tree currently overhangs our neighbour's property at 35 Linden Road and obstructs the view from one of their upstairs windows.

Our intention would be to plant a Ceanothus, along with a variety of plants and shrubs (buddleia, lavender) that would be good for pollinators.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information or clarification. We would be grateful if this application could be marked for your attention as requested.

Kind regards,
James French
18 Rosewood
RG5 3QU

You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the Tree Preservation Order where this is available. You should use the same numbering on your sketch plan (see below for sketch plan requirements).

Please provide the following information:

- Tree species
- The number used on the sketch plan; and
- A description of the proposed works.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order you must also provide:

- Reasons for the work; and where trees are being felled
- Proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

e.g. Oak (T3) – Whole crown reduction to 12m above ground level, to provide sufficient clearance to property.

Sketch plan requirements

Your plan needs to show the precise location of the tree(s) in relation to nearby property/roads/boundaries. It should, therefore:

- indicate the main features of the site where the tree(s) stand and its surroundings; in particular, you should:
 - mark and name surrounding roads
 - sketch in buildings, including adjoining properties
 - add house numbers or names
- mark the position of the tree(s) to which you want to carry out work and identify them by the number shown in the Tree Preservation Order where possible; if you use a different number, please make sure that this can be matched with your description of the tree(s)
- if there are many trees on the site, make clear which tree(s) are included in this application by:
 - marking all trees on the plan, but only numbering those to which you want to carry out work
 - showing the approximate distance between the application tree(s) and buildings
 - adding other relevant features on the site (e.g. greenhouse, paths)

If it is impossible to identify the tree(s) accurately on the plan (e.g. because they are part of a woodland or group of trees), please identify their approximate location on the plan and provide details of how the tree(s) are marked on site (e.g. high visibility tape, tree tags, paint, etc); trees must not be marked by scarring or cutting into the bark.

Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

(a) a member of staff

(b) an elected member

(c) related to a member of staff

(d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Tree works: Trees in conservation areas/subject to TPOs as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

☒ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

James French

Date

05/08/2025