

Proposed Procedure in Relation to Objections Received Against the Confirmation of a TPO

Having regard to the above, it is proposed that the following procedure for considering objections to Tree Preservation Orders be adopted:

- (1) The objector will be given the opportunity to comment on the officer report in writing and his comments will be included with the officer report.
- (2) The Committee will conduct a site visit if they consider it necessary to view the Tree Preservation Order site. The site visit is to be a fact finding exercise, to view the site of the Order. At the site visit, the objectors, officers and other interested parties may, at the Chairman's invitation, inform the Committee of any relevant points of fact and clarify any points arising from written representations. No decision is to be taken on site.
- (3) At a subsequent meeting of the Committee, the written submissions will be considered. The Committee may also consider representations from third parties. Having considered all representations, the Committee will decide whether to confirm the Order. Objectors and third parties will be able to attend the Committee meeting and speak in accordance with the Authority's Public Participation at Meetings Scheme.