

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
TREE VISITS COMMITTEE
(immediately following site visit)
Tuesday 24th January 2012
Back Stage Room , Town Hall
South Lane, Hessle

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Jenkins (Chairman), Key, Sutton (Vice Chairman)

Advisory Members: Mrs D. Johnson and Mr. K Hare

Apologies: Cllrs Bell and Davison.

14866 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

None were given.

14867 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

(Key/Sutton)

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2011 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

14868 **CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

(Chair/Sutton)

RESOLVED that it has been drawn to the attention of members of the Council that the amenity area of Barrow Lane would be subject to water retention work to alleviate future flooding in the area. This Committee is anxious that all landscape is preserved and wish to draw attention to the latter through the Environment Committee to ensure preservation of newly planted trees.

14869 **MR ARTHUR SPURR:**

(Key/Sutton)

RESOLVED noted that Standing Orders are to be checked for this item and note that Standing Orders are under review at present.

14870 **TREE VISITS:**

- a) 11/05596/TPO Woodfield House - 17 Woodfield Lane - Hessle

(Chair/Key)

RESOLVED that members reluctantly agree that both the Sycamore trees show substantial decay. Members are pleased to note that the resident of No. 17 will be replacing at least one tree, a suitable woodland species.

Members agreed removal of both Sycamore.

- b) 11/05934/TCA - 35 Northgate, Hessle

(Chair/Key)

RESOLVED that members agreed to the removal of two oversize Conifer trees, this will have no impact on the Street Scene, which is comprising a number of mature Sycamore's.

- c) 12/00162/TCA - 21 Davenport Avenue, Hessle

(Chair/Key)

RESOLVED that following the sale of a somewhat older property with neglected rear gardens to front and rear, the new owners request the removal of a number of trees, which are identified on the application by photographs.

It was agreed with Alan Hemingway (Tree Officer ERYC) none of the trees identified for removal were suitable for TPO consideration. However the Committee felt that it was important all cases of this nature is to preserve the best possible outcome with regard to maintaining of Street Scene and mature garden characteristics, with that in mind, the loss of the No. 4 Yew Tree to the front of the property is regrettable, however the remaining Holly tree No.2 should benefit and will grow again.

(Chair/Sutton)

RESOLVED that members agree to the following work to be carried out:

The Laburnum and Cherry Plum Nos 3& 1 respectively members agree to fell.

No.6 Cherry Plum – agree to fell

No.7,8,9 all in the hedgerow agree to fell

No.10 Willow, badly pollarded specimen that lacks proper structure. Agree to fell and replace with something more suitable.

Additional items brought to the Committee by Alan Hemingway (Tree Officer ERYC).

d) 12/00265/TCA – 2 Davenport Avenue, Hessle

(Chair/Key)

RESOLVED that the Committee would like more details from the Contractor before any decisions are made to the 2 Lime Trees. Members agree these are important elements of the Chestnut Avenue Street Scene.

e) 30 Davenport Avenue, Hessle

(Chair/Key)

RESOLVED that an unusual large Silver Birch with unidentified fungi may require removal. Loss of this tree would be a substantial effect on the Street Scene.