

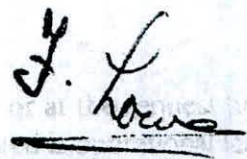
Dated 30th June 2005

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

THE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF STOCKPORT
TREE PRESERVATION (ST MARY'S CHURCH, CHEADLE)

ORDER 2005

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Authorised Signatory

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

THE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF STOCKPORT
TREE PRESERVATION (ST MARY'S CHURCH, CHEADLE) ORDER 2005

The Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 198, 201 and 203 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 hereby make the following Order -

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as The Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport Tree Preservation (St Mary's Church, Cheadle) Order 2005.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "the authority" means the Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport and unless the context otherwise requires, any reference in this Order to a numbered section is a reference to the section so numbered in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Application of Section 201

3. The authority hereby direct that section 201 (provisional **tree** preservation orders) shall apply to this Order and, accordingly, this Order shall take effect provisionally on 30th June 2005.

Prohibited acts in relation to trees

4. Without prejudice to subsections (6) and (7) of section 198 (power to make **tree** preservation orders) and subject to article 5, no person shall:-
 - (a) cut down, top, lop, uproot, wilfully damage or wilfully destroy; or
 - (b) cause or permit the cutting down, topping, lopping, uprooting, wilful damage or wilful destruction of,

any **tree** specified in Schedule 1 to this Order or comprised in a group of **trees** or in a woodland so specified, except with the consent of the authority and, where such consent is given subject to conditions, in accordance with those conditions.

Exemptions

5. (1) Nothing in article 4 shall prevent -
 - (a) the cutting down, topping, lopping or uprooting of a **tree** by or at the request of a statutory undertaker, where the land on which the **tree** is situated is operational land of the statutory undertaker and the work is necessary -

- (i) in the interests of the safe operation of the undertaking;
- (ii) in connection with the inspection, repair or renewal of any sewers, mains, pipes, cables or other apparatus of the statutory undertaker; or
- (ii) to enable the statutory undertaker to carry out development permitted by or under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995
- (b) the cutting down, topping, lopping or uprooting of a **tree** cultivated for the production of fruit in the course of a business or trade where such work is in the interests of that business or trade;
- (c) the pruning, in accordance with good horticultural practice, of any **tree** cultivated for the production of fruit;
- (d) the cutting down, topping, lopping or uprooting of a **tree** where that work is required to enable a person to implement a planning permission (other than an outline planning permission or, without prejudice to paragraph (a) (iii), a permission granted by or under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995) granted on an application under Part III of the Act, or deemed to have been granted (whether for the purposes of that Part or otherwise);
- (e) the cutting down, topping, lopping or uprooting of a **tree** by or at the request of the Environment Agency to enable the Agency to carry out development permitted by or under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995;
- (f) the cutting down, topping, lopping or uprooting of a **tree** by or at the request of a drainage body where that **tree** interferes, or is likely to interfere, with the exercise of any of the functions of that body in relation to the maintenance, improvement or construction of watercourses or of drainage works, and for this purpose "drainage body" and "drainage" have the same meanings as in the Land Drainage Act 1991; or
- (g) without prejudice to section 198(6)(b), the felling or lopping of a **tree** or the cutting back of its roots by or at the request of, or in accordance with a notice served by, a licence holder under paragraph 9 of Schedule 4 to the Electricity Act 1989.

(2) In paragraph (1), "statutory undertaker" means any of the following -

a person authorised by any enactment to carry on any railway, light railway, tramway, road transport, water transport, canal, inland navigation, dock, harbour, pier or lighthouse undertaking, or any undertaking for the supply of hydraulic power,

a relevant airport operator (within the meaning of Part V of the Airports Act 1986),

the holder of a licence under section 6 of the Electricity Act 1989,

a public gas transporter,

the holder of a licence under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to whom the telecommunications code (within the meaning of that Act) is applied,

a water or sewerage undertaker,

the Civil Aviation Authority or a body acting on behalf of that Authority,

the Post Office

Applications for consent under the Order

6. An application for consent to the cutting down, topping, lopping or uprooting of any tree in respect of which this Order is for the time being in force shall be made in writing to the authority and shall -
- (a) identify the tree or trees to which it relates (if necessary, by reference to a plan);
 - (b) specify the work for which consent is sought; and
 - (c) contain a statement of the applicant's reasons for making the application.

Application of provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

7. - (1) The provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 relating to registers, applications, permissions and appeals mentioned in column (1) of Part I of Schedule 2 to this Order shall have effect, in relation to consents under this Order and applications for such consent, subject to the adaptations and modifications mentioned in column (2).
- (2) The provisions referred to in paragraph (1), as so adapted and modified, are set out in Part II of that Schedule.

Directions as to replanting

8. - (1) Where consent is granted under this Order for the felling in the course of forestry operations of any part of a woodland area, the authority may give to the owner of land on which that part is situated ("the relevant land") a direction in writing specifying the manner in which and the time within which he shall replant the relevant land.
- (2) Where a direction is given under paragraph (1) and trees on the relevant land are felled (pursuant to the consent), the owner of that land shall replant it in accordance with the direction.
- (3) A direction under paragraph (1) may include requirements as to -
- (a) species;

- (b) number of trees per hectare;
- (c) the preparation of the relevant land prior to the replanting; and
- (d) the erection of fencing necessary for the protection of the newly planted trees.

Compensation

9. (1) If, on a claim under this article, a person establishes that loss or damage has been caused or incurred in consequence of -
- (a) the refusal of any consent required under this Order; or
 - (b) the grant of any such consent subject to conditions,
- he shall, subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), be entitled to compensation from the authority.
- (2) No claim, other than a claim made under paragraph (3), may be made under this article -
- (a) if more than 12 months have elapsed since the date of the Authority's decision or, where such a decision is the subject of an appeal to the Secretary of State, the date of the final determination of the appeal; or
 - (b) if the amount in respect of which the claim would otherwise have been made is less than £500.
- (3) Where the authority refuse consent under this Order for the felling in the course of forestry operations of any part of a woodland area, they shall not be required to pay compensation to any person other than the owner of the land; and such compensation shall be limited to an amount equal to any depreciation in the value of trees which is attributable to deterioration in the quality of the timber in consequence of the refusal.
- (4) In any other case, no compensation shall be payable to a person -
- (a) for loss of development value or other diminution in the value of the land;
 - (b) for loss or damage which, having regard to the statement of reasons submitted in accordance with article 6(c) and any documents or other evidence submitted in support of any such statement, was not reasonably foreseeable when consent was refused or was granted subject to conditions;
 - (c) for loss or damage reasonably foreseeable by that person and attributable to his failure to take reasonable steps to avert the loss or damage or to mitigate its extent; or

- (d) for costs incurred in appealing to the Secretary of State against the refusal of any consent required under this Order or the grant of any such consent subject to conditions.
- (5) Subsections (3) to (5) of section 11 (terms of compensation on refusal of licence) of the Forestry Act 1967 shall apply to the assessment of compensation under paragraph (3) as it applies to the assessment of compensation where a felling licence is refused under section 10 (application for felling licence and decision of Commissioners thereon) of that Act as if for any reference to a felling licence there were substituted a reference to a consent required under this Order and for the reference to the Commissioners there were substituted a reference to the authority.
- (6) In this article -

“development value” means an increase in value attributable to the prospect of development; and, in relation to any land, the development of it shall include the clearing of it; and

“owner” has the meaning given to it by section 34 of the Forestry Act 1967.

SCHEDULE 1

Article 4

SPECIFICATION OF TREES

Trees specified individually
(encircled in black on the map)

<i>Reference on map</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Situation</i>
T1	COPPER BEECH	Located within the curtilage of No. 2a Gatley Road approximately 6 metres from the highway and 12 metres from the property.
T2	YEW	Located within the front curtilage of No.2 The Crescent approximately 2 metres from the highway and 2 metres from the property
T3	COPPER BEECH	Located within the rear curtilage of No.2 Gatley Road approximately 50 metres from The Crescent highway and 5 metres from the property
T4	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the curtilage of the White Hart Hotel car park approximately 45 metres from Hall Street highway and 10 metres from the property

T5	SYCAMORE	Located within the curtilage of the White Hart Hotel car park approximately 45 metres from Hall Street highway and 15 metres from the property
T6	ASH	Located within the front curtilage of Larchwood apartments approximately 2 metres from the highway and 7 metres from the south west corner of the property
T7	ASH	Located within the front curtilage of Larchwood apartments approximately 2 metres from the highway and 5 metres from the south west corner of the property
T8	OAK	Located within the front curtilage of No. 5 The Crescent approximately 2 metres from the highway and 8 metres from the property
T9	LIME	Located within the front curtilage of No. 7 The Crescent approximately 2 metres from the highway and 8 metres from the property
T10	LIME	Located within the front curtilage of No. 7 The Crescent approximately 2 metres from the highway and 8 metres from the property
T11	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the curtilage of the White Hart Hotel car park approximately 3 metres from Hall Street highway and 57metres from the property
T12	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the curtilage of the White Hart Hotel car park approximately 3 metres from Hall Street highway and 55 metres from the property
T13	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the curtilage of the White Hart Hotel car park approximately 3 metres from Hall Street highway and 53metres from the property
T14	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the curtilage of the White Hart Hotel car park approximately 3 metres from Hall Street highway and 54metres from the property
T15		Located within the curtilage of the White

	HORSE CHESTNUT	Hart Hotel car park approximately 3 metres from Hall Street highway and 54metres from the property
T16	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 5 Brook Road approximately 1 metre from the rear boundary and 32 metres from the rear of the property
T17	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 5 Brook Road approximately 1 metre from the rear boundary and 32 metres from the rear of the property
T18	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 7 Brook Road approximately 1 metre from the rear boundary and 34 metres from the rear of the property
T19	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 7 Brook Road approximately 3 metres from the rear boundary and 30 metres from the rear of the property
T20	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 9 Brook Road approximately 1 metre from the rear boundary and 32 metres from the rear of the property
T21	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 9 Brook Road approximately 4 metres from the rear boundary and 28 metres from the rear of the property
T22	ROWAN	Located within the shrub beds of Grosvenor Court car park approximately 4 metres from No. 3 Grosvenor Court and 50 metres from Brook Road highway
T23	ROWAN	Located within the shrub beds of Grosvenor Court car park approximately 4 metres from No. 6 Grosvenor Court and 50 metres from Brook Road highway
T24	SILVER BIRCH	Located within the shrub beds of Grosvenor Court car park approximately 15 metres from No. 4 Grosvenor Court and 40 metres from Brook Road highway
T25	SILVER BIRCH	Located within the shrub beds of Grosvenor Court car park approximately

		30 metres from No. 4 Grosvenor Court and 25 metres from Brook Road highway
T26	ASH	Located on the edge of the rear curtilage of No. 62 Lime Grove approximately 1 metre from the highway and 10 metres from the property
T27	LIME	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 6 metres from the highway and 60 metres from the Church building
T28	LIME	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 64 metres from the Church building
T29	LIME	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 54 metres from the Church building
T30	LIME	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 5 metres from the highway and 46 metres from the Church building
T31	SILVER BIRCH	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 5 metres from the highway and 20 metres from the Church building
T32	BEECH	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 2 metres from the highway and 20 metres from the Church building
T33	CHERRY	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 12 metres from the highway and 4 metres from the Church building
T34	SILVER BIRCH	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 2 metres from the highway and 18 metres from the Church building
T35	CHERRY	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 18 metres from the Church building

		building
T36	LIME	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 12 metres from the Church building
T37	PEAR	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 7 metres from the highway and 7 metres from the Church building
T38	LIME	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 12 metres from the Church building
T39	CHERRY	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 10 metres from the Church building
T40	CRAB APPLE	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 3 metres from the highway and 12 metres from the Church building
T41	CRAB APPLE	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 5 metres from the highway and 8 metres from the Church building
T42	HOLLY	Located with in the curtilage of St Mary's Church approximately 18 metres from the highway and 4 metres from the Church building
T43	LIME	Located on the boundary of Trinity Methodists and United Reformed Church approximately 23 metres from Massie street highway and 2 metres from the building
T44	LIME	Located on the boundary of Trinity Methodists and United Reformed Church approximately 28 metres from Massie street highway and 2 metres from the building
T45	COPPER BEECH	Located within the front curtilage of Brooklyn Place apartments approximately

		3 metres from Ashfield Road highway and 10 metres from the building
T46	SYCAMORE	Located within the side curtilage of Brooklyn Place apartments approximately 30 metres from Ashfield Road highway and 14 metres from the building
T47	SYCAMORE	Located within the side curtilage of Brooklyn Place apartments, rear of the garages approximately 32 metres from Ashfield Road highway and 14 metres from the building
T48	ASH	Located within the rear curtilage of No. 17 Ashfield Road approximately 58 metres from the highway, and 2 metres from the rear boundary
T49	LIME	Located within the curtilage of Sycamore walk approximately 2 metres from the rear boundary of No. 9 Ashfield Road and 8 metres from No. 1 Sycamore Walk
T50	SYCAMORE	Located to the rear curtilage of Spruce Lodge approximately 5 metres from No. 1 Spruce Lodge and 2 metres from the highway
T51	ASH	Located to the rear curtilage of Sycamore Walk approximately 15 metres from No. 1 Sycamore Walk and 25 metres from the highway
T52	SILVER BIRCH	Located within the front curtilage of Strathblane House, Ashfield Road approximately 5 metres from the highway and 6 metres from the south west corner of the building
T53	SILVER BIRCH	Located within the front curtilage of Strathblane House, Ashfield Road approximately 7 metres from the highway and 4 metres from the south west corner of the building
T54	ROWAN	Located within the front curtilage of Strathblane House, Ashfield Road approximately 5 metres from the highway and 4 metres from the front of the building

T55	MAPLE	Located within the front curtilage of Strathblane House, Ashfield Road approximately 5 metres from the highway and 4 metres from the front of the building
T56	ROWAN	Located within the front curtilage of Strathblane House, Ashfield Road approximately 5 metres from the highway and 4 metres from the north east corner of the building
T57	ASH	Located within the rear curtilage of the George and Dragon Hotel car park approximately 40 metres from Ashfield Road highway and 32 metres from the property
T58	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of the George and Dragon Hotel car park approximately 40 metres from Ashfield Road highway and 28 metres from the property
T59	SYCAMORE	Located within the front curtilage of How Bank House approximately 3 metres from the highway and 8 metres from the East corner of the property
T60	HOLLY	Located within the front curtilage of How Bank House approximately 4 metres from the highway and 5 metres from the East corner of the property
T61	HOLLY	Located within the front curtilage of How Bank House approximately 6 metres from the highway and 5 metres from the East corner of the property
T62	SYCAMORE	Located within the front curtilage of How Bank House approximately 9 metres from the highway and 3 metres from the East corner of the property
T63	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 2 metres from the rear boundary and 25 metres from the North corner of the property
T63	ASH	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 2 metres from the rear boundary and 28 metres from the

		North corner of the property
T64	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 2 metres from the rear boundary and 31 metres from the North corner of the property
T65	LIME	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 30 metres from the rear boundary and 30 metres from the North corner of the property
T66	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 2 metres from the rear boundary and 56 metres from the North corner of the property
T67	SYCAMORE	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 2 metres from the rear boundary and 56 metres from the North corner of the property
T68	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the rear curtilage of How Bank House approximately 32 metres from the High Street highway and 66 metres from the rear boundary of the property
T69	HORSE CHESTNUT	Located within the rear curtilage of No.8-10 High Street approximately 12 metres from the rear of the property and 1 metre from the rear boundary
T70	LIME	Located within the front curtilage of No. 2 Gatley Road approximately 4 metres from the highway and 5 metres from the front of the property.

Trees specified by reference to an area
(within a dotted black line on the map)

<i>Reference on map</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Situation</i>
None		

Groups of trees

(within a broken line on the map)

<i>Reference on map</i>	<i>Description (including the number of trees in the group)</i>	<i>Situation</i>
G1	GROUP CONSISTING OF 4 SYCAMORES AND 3 ASH TREES	Located within the South West corner of the White Hart Hotel car park, bounding with Larchwood and rear of No.2 Gatley Road
G2	GROUP CONSISTING OF 6 HOLLY, 3 LIMES, 2 SILVER BIRCH, 1 SYCAMORE, 1 ASH AND 1 PINE	Located within the front curtilage of No1 – 11 Brook Road approximately 2 metres from the highway and 6 metres from the properties
G3	GROUP CONSISTING OF 30 SYCAMORE TREES	Located within the rear curtilage of Strathblane House, Ashfield Road running along the whole of the eastern boundary and approximately 20 metres from the building

Woodlands

(within a continuous black line on the map)

<i>Reference on map</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Situation</i>
None		

SCHEDULE 2

Article 7

PART I

Provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 applied with adaptations or modifications

<i>Provision of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990</i>	<i>Adaptation or Modification</i>
Section 69 (registers)	(a) In subsection (1) - (i) omit - “, in such manner as may be prescribed by a development order,”

*Provision of the Town & Country
Planning Act 1990*

Section 70 (determination of
applications: general
considerations)

Adaptation or Modification

- “such” in the second place where it appears,
and
- “as may be so prescribed”; and
- (ii) substitute “matters relevant to tree
preservation orders made by the authority”
for “applications for planning permission”.
- (b) In subsection (2) -
- (i) after “contain” insert “, as regards each such
order”, and
- (ii) for paragraphs (a) and (b) substitute -
- “(a) details of every application under the
order and of the authority’s decision (if
any) in relation to each such application,
and
- (b) a statement as to the subject-matter of
every appeal under the order and of the
date and nature of the Secretary of
State’s determination of it.”.
- (c) Omit subsections (3) and (4) (as required
by section 198(4)).
- (a) In subsection (1) -
- (i) substitute -
- “Subject to subsections (1A) and (1B), where”
for “Where”;
- “the authority” for “a local planning authority”;
- “consent under a tree preservation order” for
“planning permission” where those words first
appear; and
- “consent under the order” for “planning
permission” in both of the other places where
those words appear;
- (ii) after “think fit”, insert -
- “(including conditions limiting the duration of the
consent or requiring the replacement of trees)”;
and

*Provision of the Town & Country
Planning Act 1990*

Adaptation or Modification

Section 75 (effect of planning permission)

(iii) omit "subject to sections 91 and 92,".

(b) After subsection (1) insert -

"(1A) Where an application relates to an area of woodland, the authority shall grant consent so far as accords with the practice of good forestry, unless they are satisfied that the granting of consent would fail to secure the maintenance of the special character of the woodland or the woodland character of the area.

(1B) Where the authority grant consent for the felling of trees in a woodland area they shall not impose conditions requiring replacement where such felling is carried out in the course of forestry operations (but may give directions for securing replanting)".

(c) Omit subsections (2) and (3).

(a) In subsection (1) substitute:-

(i) "Any" for the words from "Without" to "any".

(ii) "consent under a tree preservation order" for "planning permission to develop land";

(iii) "the consent" for "the permission"; and

(iv) "the land to which the order relates" for "the land".

(b) Omit subsections (2) and (3).

Section 78 (right to appeal against planning decisions and failure to take such decisions)

(a) In subsection (1) substitute -

(i) "the authority for "a local planning authority";

(ii) "consent under a tree preservation order" for "planning permission" in the first place where those words appear;

(iii) "consent under such an order" for "planning permission" in the second place where those words appear;

(iv) for paragraph (c) substitute -

*Provision of the Town & Country
Planning Act 1990*

Adaptation or Modification

- “(c) give a direction under a tree preservation order, or refuse an application for any consent, agreement or approval of that authority required by such a direction; or
- (d) fail to determine any such application as is referred to in paragraphs (a) to (c) within the period of 8 weeks beginning with the date on which the application was received by the authority.”.
- (b) Omit subsection (2).
- (c) In subsection (3) for “served within such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by a development order.” substitute -
- “in writing addressed to the Secretary of State, specifying the grounds on which the appeal is made; and such notice shall be served -
- (a) in respect of a matter mentioned in any of paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1), within the period of 28 days from the receipt of notification of the authority’s decision or direction or within such longer period as the Secretary of State may allow;
- (b) in respect of such a failure as is mentioned in paragraph (d) of that subsection, at any time after the expiration of the period mentioned in that paragraph, but if the authority have informed the applicant that the application has been refused, or granted subject to conditions, before an appeal has been made, an appeal may only be made against that refusal or grant.”.
- (d) For subsection (4), substitute -
- “(4) The appellant shall serve on the authority a copy of the notice mentioned in subsection (3).”.
- (e) For subsection (5), substitute -
- “(5) For purposes of the application of section 79(1), in relation to an appeal made under

<i>Provision of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990</i>	<i>Adaptation or Modification</i>
Section 79 (determination of appeals)	<p>subsection (1)(d), it shall be assumed that the authority decided to refuse the application in question.”.</p> <p>(a) In subsections (1) and (2), substitute “the authority” for “the local planning authority”.</p> <p>(b) Omit subsection (3).</p> <p>(c) In subsection (4), substitute -</p> <p>(i) “section 70(1), (1A) and (1B)” for “sections 70, 72(1) and (5), 73 and 73A and Part I of Schedule 5”;</p> <p>(ii) “consent under a tree preservation order” for “planning permission”; and</p> <p>(iii) “the authority” for “the local planning authority and a development order may apply, with or without modifications, to such an appeal any requirements imposed by a development order by virtue of section 65 or 71.”.</p> <p>(d) Omit subsections (6) and (6A).</p> <p>(e) In subsection (7), omit the words after “section 78”.</p>

PART II

PROVISIONS OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990, AS ADAPTED AND MODIFIED BY PART I

The following provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as adapted and modified by Part I of this Schedule, apply in relation to consents, and applications for consent, under this Order.

Section 69

- (1) Every local planning authority shall keep a register containing information with respect to matters relevant to tree preservation orders made by the authority.
- (2) The register shall contain, as regards each such order -
 - (a) details of every application under the order and of the authority’s decision (if any) in relation to each such application, and

- (b) a statement as to the subject-matter of every appeal under the order and of the date and nature of the Secretary of State's determination of it.
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- (5) Every register kept under this section shall be available for inspection by the public at all reasonable hours.

Section 70

- (1) Subject to subsections (1A) and (1B), where an application is made to the authority for consent under a tree preservation order -
 - (a) they may grant consent under the order, either unconditionally or subject to such conditions as they think fit (including conditions limiting the duration of the consent or requiring the replacement of trees); or
 - (b) they may refuse consent under the order.
 - (1A) Where an application relates to an area of woodland, the authority shall grant consent so far as accords with the practice of good forestry, unless they are satisfied that the granting of consent would fail to secure the maintenance of the special character of the woodland character of the area.
 - (1B) Where the authority grant consent for the felling of trees in a woodland area they shall not impose conditions requiring replacement where such felling is carried out in the course of forestry operations (but may give directions for securing replanting).
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Section 75

Any grant of consent under a tree preservation order shall (except in so far as the consent otherwise provides) enure for the benefit of the land to which the order relates and of all persons for the time being interested in it.

Section 78

- (1) Where the authority -
 - (a) refuse an application for consent under a tree preservation order or grant it subject to conditions;
 - (b) refuse an application for any consent, agreement or approval of that authority required by a condition imposed on a grant of consent under such an order or grant it subject to conditions;

- (c) give a direction under a tree preservation order, or refuse an application for any consent, agreement or approval of that authority required by such a direction; or
- (d) fail to determine any such application as is referred to in paragraphs (a) to (c) within the period of 8 weeks beginning with the date on which the application was received by the authority,

the applicant may by notice appeal to the Secretary of State.

(3) Any appeal under this section shall be made by notice in writing addressed to the Secretary of State, specifying the grounds on which the appeal is made; and such notice shall be served

(a) in respect of a matter mentioned in any of paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1), within the period of 28 days from the receipt of notification of the authority's decision or direction or within such longer period as the Secretary of State may allow;

(b) in respect of such a failure as is mentioned in paragraph (d) of that subsection, at any time after the expiration of the period mentioned in that paragraph, but if the authority have informed the applicant that the application has been refused, or granted subject to conditions, before an appeal has been made, an appeal may only be made against that refusal or grant.

(4) The appellant shall serve on the authority a copy of the notice mentioned in subsection (3).

(5) For the purposes of the application of section 79(1), in relation to an appeal made under subsection (1)(d), it shall be assumed that the authority decided to refuse the application in question.

Section 79

(1) On an appeal under section 78 the Secretary of State may -

(a) allow or dismiss the appeal, or

(b) reverse or vary any part of the decision of the authority (whether the appeal relates to that part of it or not),

and may deal with the application as if it had not been made to him in the first instance.

(2) Before determining an appeal under section 78 the Secretary of State shall, if either the appellant or the authority so wish, give each of them an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by a person appointed by the Secretary of State for the purpose.

(4) Subject to subsection (2), the provisions of section 70(1), (1A) and (1B) shall apply, with any necessary modifications, in relation to an appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 as they apply in relation to an application for consent under a tree preservation order which falls to be determined by the authority.

Dated 29th June 2005

The COMMON SEAL of the METROPOLITAN)
BOROUGH COUNCIL OF STOCKPORT)
was hereunto affixed in the presence of)



S Alexander

Mayor

Paul Shill

Council Solicitor and Secretary

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CONFIRMATION OF ORDER

This Order was confirmed by Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council, subject to the modifications crossed out in red, on the 31st day of January 2006.

J. H. [Signature]

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Authorised by the Council to sign in that behalf

Dated this 24th day of March 2006