

Report to:	Planning Committee
Date of Meeting:	25 September 2018
Report by:	Executive Director (Community and Enterprise
	Resources)

Subject:	Tree Preservation Order – Blairbeth Terrace, Rutherglen,

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - Seek approval for the making of a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) on the trees at Blairbeth Terrace, Rutherglen as shown on the accompanying plan.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that a Provisional Tree Preservation Order be promoted under the terms of Section 163 (Provisional Tree Preservation Order) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 on the two trees identified on the attached plan.
 - (2) that this Provisional Tree Preservation Order be confirmed within six months from the date of this Order should there be no objections.

3. Background

3.1 The first tree subject of the proposed TPO is a large beech tree located opposite 4 Blairbeth Terrace and adjacent to the existing car park. The second tree is a lime tree which is located at the entrance to Blairbeth Terrace on the corner with Blairbeth Road. It is noted that Blairbeth Terrace is a row of B listed buildings dating back to the nineteenth century which have been subdivided into flats. The trees are considered to make a positive contribution to the sense of place, character and amenity in the local area as a result of their size and form as well as providing an attractive setting for this row of listed buildings. There are other trees within the surrounding area, however, it is considered that these trees are the largest and most visually prominent in the immediate local area. The Council is advised that the trees are maintained by a Residents' Association. The promotion of a TPO would not stop maintenance works being undertaken to the trees, but it would require such works to be agreed in advance with the Council to ensure that no inappropriate work takes place.

4 Policy History

4.1 The site is identified in the Adopted South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan as being within a designated residential area and, as such, is surrounded by residential properties.

5 Grounds for Making the TPO

5.1 The reason for making the TPO is that the two existing mature trees are considered to contribute to the character, amenity and sense of place within the local area as well as providing an attractive setting for the B listed terrace. The trees are notably visible

in the area by virtue of their size, form and siting which is within the middle of the terrace and on the junction of Blairbeth Terrace and Blairbeth Road. To ensure that only appropriate maintenance is undertaken in consultation with the Council, and to ensure the future retention of the trees, the promotion of a TPO is considered necessary.

6 Employee Implications

6.1 None.

7 Financial Implications

7.1 None.

8 Other Implications

8.1 None.

8 Equality Impact and Consultation Arrangement

8.1 Consultations have taken place with the Council's Arboricultural Manager. There is no requirement to carry out an impact assessment in terms of the proposals contained within this report.

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Link(s) to Council Objectives/Values/Ambitions

• Working with communities and partners to promote high quality, thriving and sustainable communities (Source: Connect)

Previous References

None

List of Background Papers

None

Contact for Further Information

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