

## **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

The Tree Preservation Order DFTPO212 – Staunton Road, Coleford

The Forest of Dean District Council, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 198 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 make the following Order—

### **1. Citation**

This Order may be cited as The Tree Preservation Order DFTPO212, Staunton Road, Coleford

### **Interpretation**

- 1.1. In this Order "the authority" means the Forest of Dean District Council.
- 1.2. In this Order any reference to a numbered section is a reference to the section so numbered in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and any reference to a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation so numbered in the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.

### **2. Effect**

- 2.1. Subject to article 4, this Order takes effect provisionally on the date on which it is made.
- 2.2. Without prejudice to subsection (7) of section 198 (power to make tree preservation orders) or subsection (1) of section 200 (tree preservation orders: Forestry Commissioners) and, subject to the exceptions in regulation 14, no person shall—
  - (a) cut down, top, lop, uproot, wilfully damage, or wilfully destroy; or
  - (b) cause or permit the cutting down, topping, lopping, wilful damage or wilful destruction of any tree specified in the Schedule to this Order except with the written consent of the authority in accordance with regulations 16 and 17, or of the Secretary of State in accordance with regulation 23, and, where such consent is given subject to conditions, in accordance with those conditions.

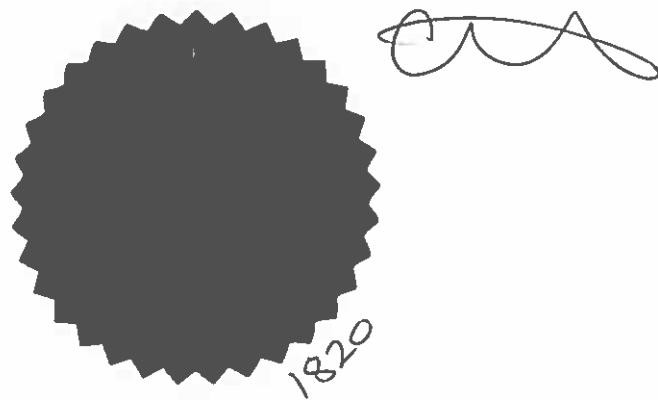
### **3. Application to trees to be planted pursuant to a condition**

In relation to any tree identified in the first column of the Schedule by the letter "C", being a tree to be planted pursuant to a condition imposed under paragraph (a) of section 197 (planning permission to include appropriate provision for preservation and planting of trees), this Order takes effect as from the time when the tree is planted.

Dated this 3rd day of July 2015

The Common Seal of the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL was hereunto

Affixed in the presence of



## **CONFIRMATION OF ORDER**

This Order was confirmed by the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL without modification on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2015

**OR**

This Order was confirmed by the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL, subject to the modifications indicated by broken black line on the map, on the day of

Signed on behalf of the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Authorised by the Council to sign in that behalf

## **DECISION NOT TO CONFIRM ORDER**

A decision not to confirm this Order was taken by the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL on the      day

Signed on behalf of the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Authorised by the Council to sign in that behalf

## **VARIATION OF ORDER**

This Order was varied by the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL on the day of      by a variation order under reference number      a copy of which is attached

Signed on behalf of the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

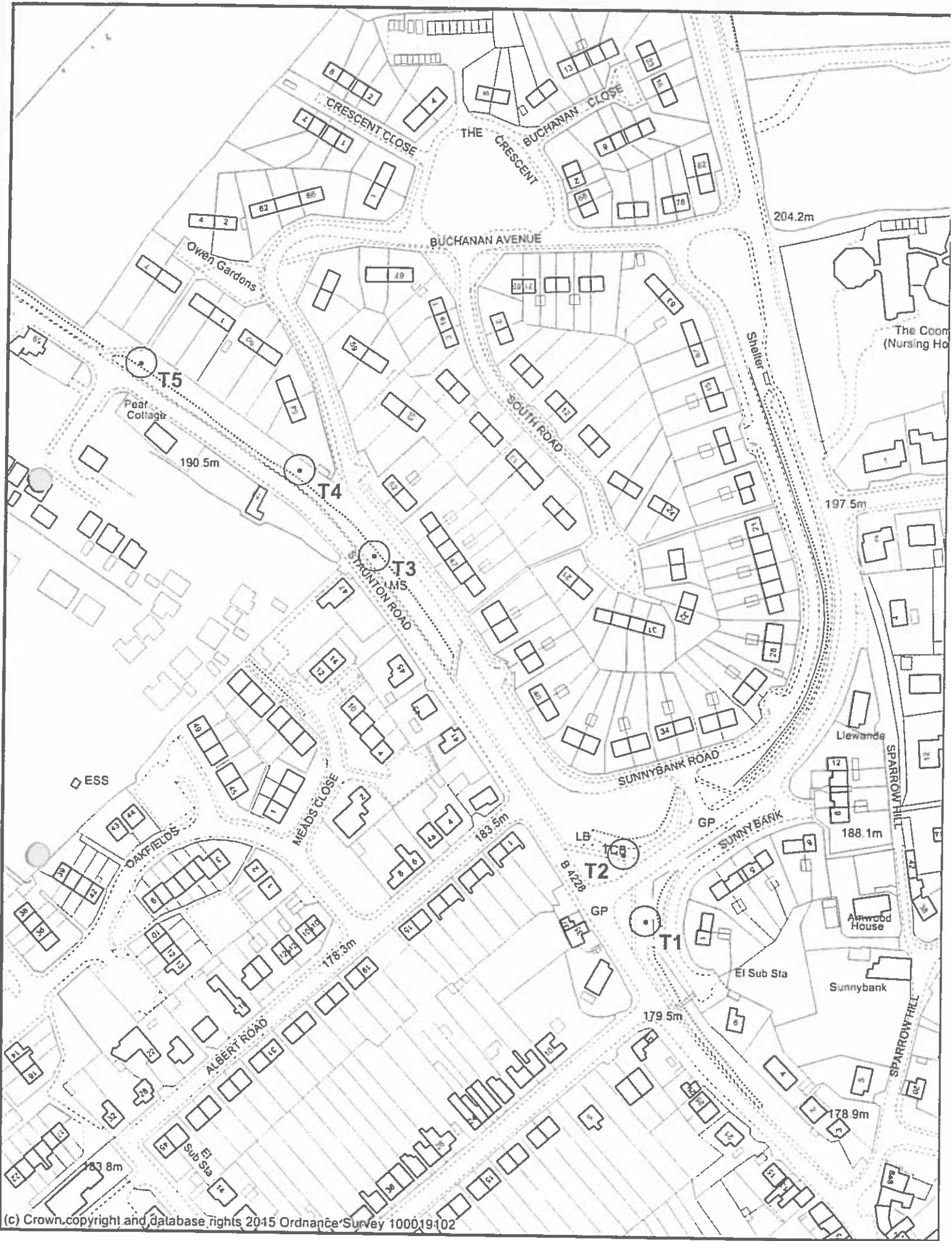
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## **REVOCATION OF ORDER**

This Order was revoked by the FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL on the day of

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**SCHEDULE 1**  
**SPECIFICATION OF TREES**

**Trees specified individually**  
(Encircled in black on the map)

<u>Reference on Map</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Situation</u>
T1	Horse Chestnut	Near junction between Staunton Road and The Gorse
T2	Copper Beech	Near junction between Staunton Road and The Gorse
T3	Rowan	Land between Staunton Road and Sunny Bank Road
T4	Rowan	Land between Staunton Road and Buchanan Avenue
T5	Oak	Southwest of 3 Owen Gardens

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

<u>Reference on Map</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Situation</u>
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**Groups of trees**  
(within a broken line on the map)

<u>Reference on map</u>	<u>Description (including number of trees in the group)</u>
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**Woodlands**  
(within a continuous black line on the map)

<u>Reference on map</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Situation</u>
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## Report for a Tree Preservation Order

DFTPO212 Staunton Road, Coleford

### Introduction

A Tree Preservation Order is recommended for six individual trees on land adjacent to Staunton Road, Coleford (see Appendix A – B for TPO plan and photographs). The trees should be referred to as:

T1 – Horse Chestnut  
T2 – Copper Beech  
T3 - Birch  
T4 – Rowan  
T5 – Rowan  
T6 - Oak

A request has been made for a Tree Preservation Order on trees along Staunton Road due to recent tree removal and the effects of highway works to Staunton Road.

### Desk Based Assessment

The trees occupy a grass bank adjacent to Staunton Road. The trees are present in a line spanning approximately 325m from the beginning of Coleford settlement boundary towards Coleford Town Centre. A public footpath runs a few metres from the most north westerly tree.

The requestor states that one Birch tree and one Horse Chestnut tree have recently been removed from this bank.

### Site Based Assessment

The trees, adjacent to Staunton Road are prominent features leading towards the town centre when entering Coleford on Staunton Road and are considered to be of high amenity value. Some of the trees are situated between Staunton Road and Sunny Bank Road.

Works have taken place to the highway and footpaths along this stretch of Staunton Road in relation to an approved development at Owen Farm. Two trees have recently been removed. The roots of a couple of the remaining trees are exposed on the side facing Staunton Road.

David Wilson Homes have stated that they will be replacing the removed Horse Chestnut tree with two or three trees in the vicinity. These have not yet been planted. The exposure of roots belonging to retaining trees may have a detrimental effect on these trees in the long term however the actual effects on the health of the trees are not known or yet evident.

### Consultation Responses

The Council received a request for a Tree Preservation Order on trees along Staunton Road from a member of the public.

Gloucestershire County Council Highways Department was consulted with regards to the ownership of one of the trees. No response has yet been received.

### **Discussion**

**Visibility:** The trees are prominent from Staunton Road, being the entrance into Coleford from the northwest and many of the trees are prominent from Sunny Bank Road. A short public right of way running from Owen Gardens terminates at Staunton Road at a point where a number of the trees are prominent. Some of the trees, Copper Beech T2 in particular, can be seen from Sparrow Hill when descending into the centre of Coleford.

**Individual Impact:** The trees are of varying sizes and species. Each is considered to be of high amenity value presently due to their locations and the younger trees have potential to increase their value as they mature.

**Wider Impact:** The trees contribute to one of the main routes into Coleford town, taken by those travelling from Staunton and further afield.

**Expediency:** Two trees have recently been removed from this stretch of Staunton Road. It is known that one of these, a Horse Chestnut tree was removed due to the impacts the recent work to the highway and footpaths had on the tree. It appears as though the work has been completed in proximity to these trees however some of the remaining trees' roots have also been affected by the works. A TPO, while protecting trees of high amenity value may, in the event that any of the remaining trees fail, ensure that the trees will be replaced.

A TPO is considered expedient.

**Conclusion of Discussion:** Six individual trees are considered to be prominent features that contribute to one of the main routes into Coleford and merit protection. These trees are considered to be of high amenity value.

### **Alternatives to placing a Tree Preservation Order**

Do nothing. The Council's permission will not be required prior to the removal of the trees as they are not currently protected by a TPO or located within a Conservation Area.

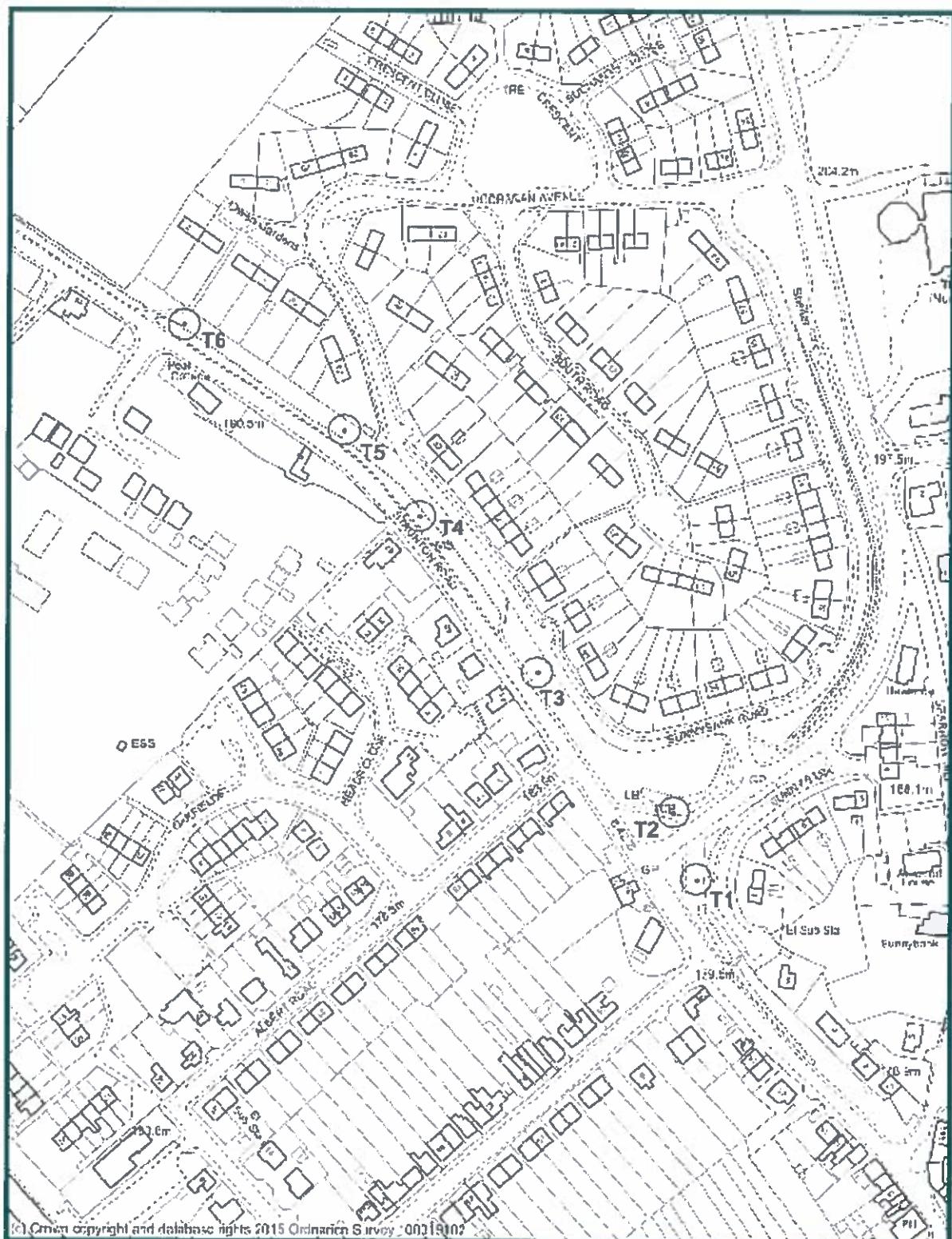
### **Recommendation**

That provisional Tree Preservation Order DFTPO212 Staunton Road, Coleford be made.

Planning and Housing Group Manager: R. Parker

Agreed / Disagree\*: ..... Date: 10/6/15

## **Appendix A – TPO Plan**



**Tree Preservation Order  
DFTPO212  
Staunton Road, Coleford**

Scale: 1:2000

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## Appendix B – Photographs









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