REPORT TO: DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AGENDA ITEM: 6

COMMITTEE

DATE OF CATEGORY:
MEETING: 10 OCTOBER 2006 DELEGATED

REPORT FROM: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OPEN

MEMBERS' KIM PARKES DOC:

CONTACT POINT:

SUBJECT: TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 266 REF:

WARD TERMS OF

AFFECTED: SEALES REFERENCE: DC01

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That this Tree Preservation Order be confirmed.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To consider confirmation of this Tree Preservation Order.

3.0 Detail

3.1 This Tree Preservation Order was made on 20th June 2006 in respect of mixed woodland of trees located at Homestall Wood. Edingale.

The Order was made for the following reasons:

'The woodland is a visually important one with high amenity value. The trees within it are worthy of preservation and can be seen from public vantage points. The trees are under threat from a planning application and therefore it is considered expedient to make this order'.

- 3.2 The TPO was made at the request of Mary Gibson, Area Planning Officer.
- 3.3 Comments have been received from Mr James Garland who's family own the land on which the order has been made. He states that the Garland family have planted over 250,000 new trees on 200 acres of their farm on behalf of the National Forest Scheme & believes it is extremely ironic that the need is now felt to place this order upon the trees. He feels that this damages the good name of the family and that it would prejudice further applications for land to go into the National Forest planting scheme.
- 3.4 In answer to the comments made officers have the following comments:
 - An order has been placed upon those trees to protect them from the threat of a planning application and this is felt to be a necessary measure.

4.0 Planning Assessment

4.1 It is expedient in the interests of amenity to make this woodland the subject of a Tree Preservation Order. The trees are located at Homestall Wood and are considered to have a high amenity value. As the trees are under threat form a planning application we feel there is a need to place this order upon them.

5.0 Conclusions

5.1 It is expedient in the interests of amenity to preserve.

6.0 Financial Implications

6.1 None.

7.0 Corporate Implications

7.1 None

8.0 Community Implications

8.1 None

9.0 Background Implications

- 9.1 20 June 2006 Tree Preservation Order
- 9.2 21 August 2006 letter from Mr James Garland