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18th October 2004

Chief Planning Officer
Derby City Council
Development & Culture Services Department
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Tree Preservation Order 2004 Number 411
Derby City Council (55 Morley Road)**


Thank you for your letter dated 4th October 2004, referring to the council making a Tree Preservation Order on a Willow Tree marked T1 on your plan.

I would like to object to this order on the following grounds:

- This Willow Tree adds very little amenity to the surrounding area or myself, as there are a number of trees on this site. Most of these trees will be staying as part of the development and a new planting scheme will be proposed which will increase the amenity value to all affected.
- The Willow Tree is extremely close to properties nearby, which will over time cause structural/drain damage and potential danger in high winds.
- Most of the owners in the bungalows close to the tree have complained to me in the past about the willow, as it blocks out a lot of light and causes a nuisance when shedding it's leaves by blocking gutters etc.
- Willow Trees give very little value to wildlife.

I do feel extremely upset that we have been completely honest and law abiding, in the process of our development plans to try and work with the council, even to the extent of paying a considerable amount for a Tree Specialist to write a report, on which the council have based their preservation order. I agree totally that we should try and protect the amenity of trees and the environment, but this type of approach will only cause more people/developers to clear sites of trees/wildlife in the future, which in my opinion only defeats the object the government/council is trying to achieve.

Yours truly,


Nigel Cheetham