Appendix 3

7 Waterside Close
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1 October 2005

Dear Mr Shervill

Tree Preservation Order at 1 Spinney Close, Darley Abbey

I would like to object to the Tree preservation Order dated 7 September 2005.

I am one of the owners of 7 Waterside Close which backs directly on to 1 Spinney Close. On the grounds of 1 Spinney Close along the boundary with 7 Waterside Close are a large number of very high fast growing conifers which are less than 20 years old which block out the afternoon and evening sunlight into our rear garden. These need to be lopped to bring them back down to a reasonable size balancing the desire for more sunlight and retaining privacy for all neighbours. When they have been lopped they need to be regularly lopped to keep them at that height.

I can understand the desirability of a tree preservation order to protect mature old trees but don't see the need for a tree preservation order to cover all trees in the grounds of 1 Spinney Close particularly young fast growing conifers which need regular cutting to keep them under control.

I appreciate it is possible to go back to the Council to apply for permission to have these conifers lopped. But this is likely to be a regular activity and I don't believe the benefit of a general tree preservation order justifies the additional cost and administration for us, the owners of 1 Spinney Close or the Council.

Could the tree preservation order be amended to protect specific tree enabling the conifers to be maintained without the restrictions of the tree preservation order?

I look forward to hearing

Yours sincerely,

Robert Owen

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Development & Cultural Services
DEVELOPMENT SECTION
17 OCT 2005
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