

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1990
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (TREE PRESERVATION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER No. SM.331 (2023)
Cheadle Road and Main Road, Wetley Rocks

To: **The whom it may concern or be of interest**
of:

TAKE NOTICE that the **STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL** in pursuance of their powers as Local Planning Authority under Section 198 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990, made on the **15th** day of **November 2023** a Tree Preservation Order (a copy of which, together with the map included therein, is enclosed with this notice) in respect of:-

one Area of trees located within A1 on the said map.

Until confirmation the said Order shall take effect provisionally on the date on which it is made until:

- (a) the expiration of a period of six months beginning with the date on which the Order was made; or
- (b) the date on which the Order is confirmed; or
- (c) the date on which the Council decides not to confirm the Order,

whichever first occurs.

Although currently provisional, this Order is fully effective and in force.

The reasons for making the said Order are as follows:-

the Council considers it expedient in the interests of amenity as the trees included in this Order are considered to be of significant amenity value - contributing to and enhancing the landscape quality and character of this area of Wetley Rocks village, and being in prominent public view from A-roads leading into and through the village; and also in response to recent partial exposure of the rootplate of one of the largest trees, and past neighbour pressures related to concerns over safety of trees arising from their size and location together with their shading effects.

A copy of the Order and the map included therein can be provided for inspection without charge at Moorlands House, Stockwell Street, Leek ST13 6H during office opening hours, or by contacting the Arboricultural Officer by telephone on 01538 395788 or by e-mail at trees@staffsmoorlands.gov.uk .

For more information about Tree Preservation Orders, may I kindly refer you to guidance for "Tree Preservation Orders and trees in Conservation Areas" contained on the Government's planning practice guidance website at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-preservation-orders-and-trees-in-conservation-areas>

The Council will in due course consider whether the Order should be confirmed as permanent. Before this decision is made, the people affected by the Order have a right to make objections or other representations about any of the trees, groups of trees or woodlands (as the case may be) covered by the Order.

If you would like to make any objections or other comments, please make sure we receive them in writing by the **22nd December 2023**. Your comments must comply with Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012, a copy of which is provided overleaf. Send your comments to the Arboricultural Officer, Development Services at the address overleaf, or by e-mail to: trees@staffsmoorlands.gov.uk . All valid objections or representations are carefully considered before a decision on whether to confirm the Order is made.

We will write to you again when that decision has been made. In the meantime, if you would like any further information or have any questions about this notice or the Order, please contact Steve Massey, Arboricultural Officer, by telephone on 01538 395788 or by e-mail at trees@staffsmoorlands.gov.uk

B.J. Haywood

Dated: 15th November 2023

Signed: _____

Head of Development Services

Moorlands House, Stockwell Street, Leek, Staffordshire Moorlands, ST13 6HQ

Please read the extract of Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012 as set out below.

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(ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012

Objections and representations

6 - (1) Subject to paragraph (2), objections and representations -

(a) shall be made in writing and -

(i) delivered to the authority not later than the date specified by them under regulation 5(2)(c); or

(ii) sent to the authority in a properly addressed and pre-paid letter posted at such time that, in the ordinary course of post, it would be delivered to them not later than that date;

(b) shall specify the particular trees, groups of trees or woodlands (as the case may be) in respect of which such objections or representations are made; and

(c) in the case of an objection, shall state the reasons for the objection.

(2) The authority may treat as duly made objections and representations which do not comply with the requirements of paragraph (1) if, in the particular case, they are satisfied that compliance with those requirements could not reasonably have been expected.