South Tyneside Council

Reference:	ST/0723/24/TPOW
Location:	5 Dell View West Boldon NE36 0AA
Ward:	Boldon Colliery
Description:	Application for Tree Works: Works to Trees Subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO). TPO355-T7 - Ash - Fell - stage 3 ash dieback.
Recommendation:	Grant Permission with Conditions
Case Officer:	Emma Thomas
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Summary of Consultation Responses

Tree Team

I can see the arboricultural justification to remove the Ash under the TPOW, I think the ash has some life left in it, but the proposal to remove and replace it seems a reasonable option. I think we should use conditions to secure some good replacement planting on the site, ideally, along the strip facing Don Gardens.

Relevant planning policy

The following policies are relevant to this application:

- LDF Policy DM1
- NPPF Part 15
- NPPG - National Planning Practice Guidance (2021, as updated)

Assessment

Trees and landscaped features make a significant contribution to the character and appearance of the urban area and to nature conservation. Trees in parks and public open spaces, in private gardens and grounds and on streets and highways are all significant in this respect. Many of the important groups of trees are protected by tree preservation orders (TPOs).

LDF Policy DM1 seeks to protect existing soft landscaping, including trees and hedges, where possible or provides replacement planting where necessary.

The Tree Team confirmed that there is some life left in the ash tree, however the proposal to remove and replace seems a reasonable option. They have requested that a condition be attached to this permission to ensure that a suitably large growing British native tree is planted as a replacement along the strip facing Don Gardens.

Having regard for the Tree Team's comments, in this case, subject to conditions, there are no objections to the proposals and the works are deemed acceptable in the interests of good arboricultural practice. As a result, the scheme would accord with objectives outlined in relevant planning policies and guidance.

Recommendation

Grant Permission with Conditions

Conditions

1 The tree works to which this consent relates must be completed in full, not later than 2 years from the date of this consent and may not be carried out more than once, unless authorized by a further grant of consent.

Reason: In order that the works remain appropriate and suited to the present form and condition of the tree(s) concerned.

2 The tree works are to be compliant with British Standard: 3998 [2010] (tree work – recommendations).

Reason: In order to maintain the health and visual amenity of the trees affected.

3 A suitably large growing British native tree shall be planted as a replacement along the strip facing Don Gardens, within the first available planting season following the felling of the TPO trees hereby approved.

Reason: In the interest of the amenity of the area.

List of plans etc. for standard note on decision

Plan Reference

- Location Plan - Received 04/12/2024

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Date: 17/01/2025

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