

Report Title	CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER TPO/NO1/2026 LAND REAR OF BORROWDALE DRIVE
Meeting	NELSON, BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE
Meeting Date	3 RD AUGUST 2026
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Directorate	PLACE
Lead Executive Member(s)	COUNCILLOR LOLA WHIPP
Wards Affected	BRIERFIELD WEST & REEDLEY
Public. Part Exempt, or Fully Exempt	NONE
Appendices (if any)	NONE

1. Executive Summary

1.1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.2 The trees were under threat due to a new land owner and works to clear the site were underway. A TPO is required to ensure the trees are retained.
- 1.3 The trees add value to the area's overall character, support biodiversity, and contribute to the environment. They are prominent and provide a high visual amenity value. They thus have a significant amenity value to the setting and character of the area.

2. Recommendations

For the reasons set out in this report, the NELSON, BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY COMMITTEE is recommended to:

That the Committee confirms the Tree Preservation Order TPO/NO1/2026 LAND REAR OF BORROWDALE DRIVE

3. Information: The Rationale & Evidence for the Recommendations

- 3.1 The trees were under threat due works to clear the site were underway.

The trees add value to the area's overall character, support biodiversity, and contribute to the environment. They thus have a significant amenity value to the setting and character of the area.

- 3.2 The tree evaluation system used to determine suitability for a Tree Preservation Order found the trees to be suitable for protection

4. Link to Corporate Plan Priorities: (Providing High Quality Services and Facilities, Proud and Connected Communities and Places, Good Growth and Healthy Communities)

- 4.1 Paragraph 8.46 of the Pendle Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy states: 'The landscape character of the borough will be protected especially in the open countryside.'

5. Implications

None

5.1 Financial Implications

None

5.2 Legal and Governance Implications

The Council have powers to make a Tree Preservation Order under the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation)(England) Regulations 2012.

Section 40 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 requires local authorities and government departments to have regard to the purposes of conserving biodiversity in a manner that is consistent with the exercise of their normal functions such as policy and decision-making. Conserving biodiversity may include enhancing, restoring or protecting a population or habitat.

5.3 Climate and Biodiversity Implications

Trees are important for both the climate and biodiversity.

5.5 Human Resources Implications

None

5.6 Equality and Diversity Implications

None.

6. Consultation

Ward Councillor and a residents that surround the area were consulted giving the statutory 28 days in which to make comments.

- 6.2 1 letter was received from a resident in the area, in writing stating that they would like the Tree Preservation Order to remain in force.

7. Alternative Options Considered

None

8. Reasons for the Recommendations

- 8.1 The trees were under threat from a new land owner and works to clear the site were under way. The trees add a value to the overall area, support biodiversity and contribute to the environment. The tree evaluation system used to determine suitability for Tree Preservation Order found the trees to be suitable for protection.

9. Statutory Officer Sign off (please tick)

Section 151 Officer	
Monitoring Officer	

10. Background Documents

None

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