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Tree Preservation Orders 2018-0001-TPO and 2018-0006-TPO – Leny Lodge to Leny Fues.

1. Summary

Fifty individual trees and a group of trees, on this important avenue on the western approach to Callander, between Leny Lodge and Leny Feus, were protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) served by Stirling District Council in1988. Some of the original trees have been removed or have been subject to wind blow. There has been replacement and enhancement planting to the avenue. It is recommended that protection of the remaining trees in the avenue and the new planting, together with the group of trees, is managed by a new tree preservation order to protect the trees currently present and the current TPO is revoked. The new TPO contains fifty-two individual trees (using an amended tree list) and a group of trees.

2. <u>Background</u>

Site Description

2.1 The impressive avenue of predominately lime trees on the north and south side of the A84 form an important landscape feature on the western approach to and exit from Callander. The trees lie adjacent to the Callander Conservation Area.

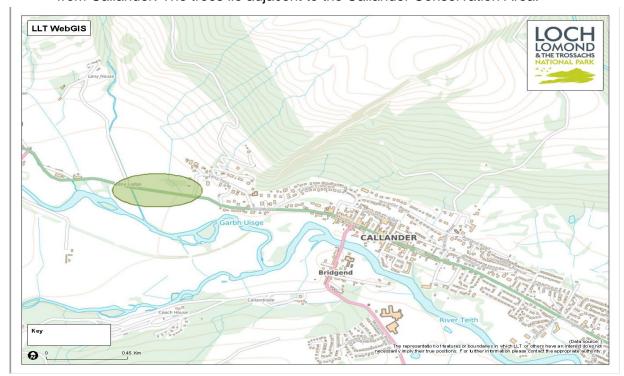


Figure 1 -Location Plan

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2.2 The TPO extends alongside the A84 both to the north and south of the road.

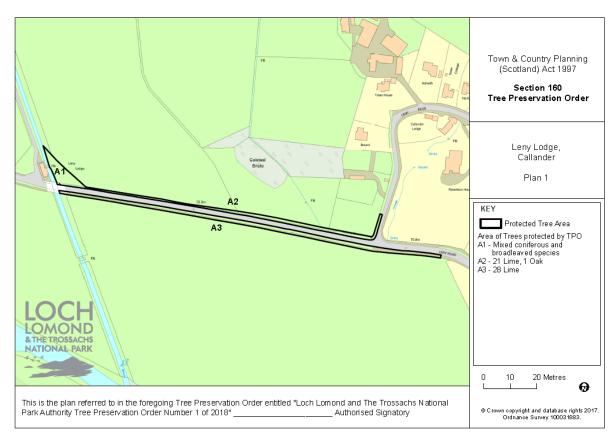


Figure 2- Site Plan (Original TPO – Revocation 2018/0001)

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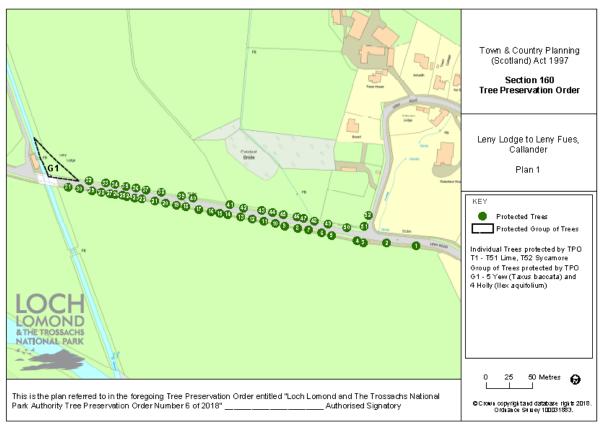


Figure 3 – Site Plan (New TPO – 2018/0006)

2.3 Since the TPO was made in 1988 there has been a loss of some of the mature trees accompanied by replacement planting so the avenue presently contains mature and new replacement trees.

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Figure 3 – Photographs of TPO Avenue

3. Relevant Planning History

3.1 There is no relevant planning history.

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4. Consultations and Representations

- 4.1 The following statutory consultations were undertaken in relation to the making of the TPO:
 - a) Forestry Commission Scotland Conservancy
 - b) The owner, lessee and occupier of the land on which the trees are situated, and any party entitled to: -
 - fell, top, lop, uproot or otherwise damage or destroy any tree to which the tree preservation order relates; or
 - ii) work by surface working any materials in, on or under such land.
- 4.2 In addition, an advert was placed in the Stirling Observer on the 30th March 2018 and Callander Community Council was notified.

Responses to consultation:

4.3 There were no responses received.

5. Assessment

- 5.1 Members are being asked to confirm the revocation Tree Preservation Order (2018/0001/TPO) and new Tree Preservation Order (2018/0006/TPO) both made on the 14th March 2018. These TPOs were served following re assessment of the TPO which found that trees still merited protection by a TPO. However since the making of the original TPO there had been changes in number of trees present and schedule 1 of the TPO did into comply with current requirements.
- The basis for the assessment of the trees is a standard Tree Evaluation Method for Tree Preservation Orders (TEMPO) used by the majority of Scottish Planning Authorities for assessing where a tree(s) is worthy of a TPO. TEMPO was developed as a field guide to consider all relevant factors when to assess tree(s) for a TPO.
- 5.3 The TEMPO method scores a tree on a number of categories as follows: Part 1 is the amenity assessment which is broken down into four sections:
 - Condition (relates to health and physical form);
 - Retentions span (Remaining lifespan);
 - Relative public visibility;

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• Other factors such as arboricultural features or veteran trees, trees which have significant historical or commemorative importance.

Part 2 is the expediency assessment which is the level of threat to the trees or woodland concerned.

5.4 When the mature trees were assessed using TEMPO assessment they scored 17 with the younger trees scoring 14. A score greater than 11 indicates a TPO is defensible.

6. Conclusion

6.1 The Members are being asked to confirm the two Tree Preservation Orders, made on 14th March 2018 which will result in the important avenue of trees, at the west approach to Callander, being protected by an updated TPO.