

**WOODLAND EVALUATION METHOD FOR PRESERVATION ORDERS (WOODLAND TEMPO)**

**SURVEY DATA SHEET & DECISION GUIDE**

Date:	Surveyor:
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<b>Woodland details</b>		
TPO Ref (if applicable):	Location: /OSGR:	Owner (if known):
Composition:		

**REFER TO GUIDANCE NOTE FOR ALL DEFINITIONS**

**Part 1: Amenity assessment**

**a) Condition & suitability for TPO**

- 10) Unmanaged – good/fair condition    Highly suitable
- 8) Unmanaged – poor condition            Very suitable
- 5) Excessively managed                    Suitable
- 2) Under good management              Barely suitable
- 1) Derelict                                      Unlikely to be suitable
- 0) Dead/dying/dangerous\*                Unsuitable

<b>Score &amp; Notes</b>
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*\* Relates to existing context and is intended to apply to majority of main stand trees having severe irremediable defects*

**b) Naturalness & suitability for TPO**

- 10) Ancient / ASN                            Highly suitable
- 8) Recent semi-natural                    Very suitable
- 5) Replanted ancient                      Suitable\*
- 2) Recent native plantation              Barely suitable
- 1) Pioneer dominant                        Unlikely to be suitable
- 0) Recent exotic plantation              Unsuitable

<b>Score &amp; Notes</b>
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*\* If few old growth trees present & little or no regen consider TEMPO tree/group assessment*

**c) Size (ha) & suitability for TPO**

- 10) 100 +                                      Extremely suitable
- 8) 10 - <100                                  Highly suitable
- 5) 5 - <10                                      Very Suitable
- 2) 0.25 to <5                                 Suitable
- 1) 0.1 – <0.25                                Barely suitable
- 0) < 0.1                                        Unsuitable (consider TEMPO tree/group assessment)

<b>Score &amp; Notes</b>
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**d) Cultural factors**

*Woodland must have accrued 13 or more points (with no zero score) to qualify*

- 10) Historical record / vital landscape feature / ≥10% veteran tree population present
- 8) SSSI or other national designation; significant landscape / habitat importance
- 5) Woodland with local designation / high public use / identifiable habitat value
- 2) Woodland with internal public access (use light or unknown) / some habitat value
- 1) Woodland adjacent to highway or with external public access / low habitat value
- 0) Woodland with none of the above additional features inc. minimal habitat value

<b>Score &amp; Notes</b>
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**Part 2: Expediency assessment**

*Woodland must have accrued 15 or more points to qualify*

- 5) Immediate threat to overall woodland
- 4) Immediate risk of significant loss / severe fragmentation
- 3) Foreseeable risk of significant loss / severe fragmentation
- 2) Foreseeable risk of partial loss / fragmentation
- 1) Precautionary only

<b>Score &amp; Notes</b>
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**Part 3: Decision guide**

- Any 0    Do not apply TPO
- 1-12    TPO indefensible
- 13-15    Does not merit TPO
- 16-20    TPO defensible
- 21 +    Definitely merits TPO

<b>Add Scores for Total:</b>
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<b>Decision:</b>
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