# Parc Cenedlaethol Bannau Brycheiniog Brecon Beacons National Park

PLANNING ADVICE NOTE 7 (December 2009)



# **Protected Trees & Hedgerows**

Tree Preservation Orders - The Authority, may in the interests of amenity, and if it considers it expedient, place a preservation order on a single tree, a group of trees or a woodland. Such an order (with limited exceptions) precludes any person from undertaking works to a tree without the express consent of the local planning authority. Similar protection is afforded to most trees within the Park's Conservation Areas (Hay, Brecon, Llangattock/Crickhowell, Talgarth). Select the link to view a guide to the Law and Good Practice in relation to Tree Preservation Orders. Tree Preservation Orders: A Guide to the Law and

Applications for Hedgerow Removal Notice, Tree Works/Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) / Notification of proposed works to trees in conservation areas (CA) - Standard requirements state that plans should be provided which clearly show the location of trees and/or length of the hedgerow(s) to be removed and that, where appropriate, evidence of the date of planting will be required. Details should state the reason for the proposed works and identification of trees/hedgerows.

Application forms are available via:-

Good Practice.

http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/uploads/appPDF/P9 502Form031\_wales\_en.pdf

and may be completed on-line via the planning portal (<a href="www.planningportal.gov.uk">www.planningportal.gov.uk</a>) Before completing the form please read the notes

http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/uploads/appPDF/Help031\_wales\_en.pdf and if you have any queries do not hesitate to contact us at the address below.

Completing the form - You can complete the forms yourself or you can choose to use an agent such as your tree surgeon, surveyor etc. If you decide an agent is to act on your behalf then all correspondence will be sent to him or her. If your agent completes the form we need to know the person to contact in connection with the proposed works.

# Location of Tree(s) / Hedgerow

Please give the full postal address or in the case of land please quote the Ordnance Survey field number if known or a grid reference number.

#### Identification of Tree(s) / Hedgerow

Please specify the species of tree(s) or hedgerow and the number of trees affected.

If known please quote the name and number of the Tree Preservation Order and reference number(s) of the tree(s) e.g. Tree Preservation Order No.018/37 - T6 (Oak) and T7 (Beech).

# **Specification of Works**

Please specify the works to be carried out e.g. felling (T6), lopping of three lower branches (T7), or removal of (metres) of hedgerow etc.

# **Reasons for the Proposed Works**

Please give reasons why you wish to carry out the works e.g. removal of overhanging branches in a dangerous condition, storm damage to crown etc.

### Replacement/Replanting

If you are to replace/replant give details of number and species. You should also mark the positions of the new trees or hedgerow on the plan.

**Plans -** We require a site location plan showing the position of the tree(s) and/or hedgerow in question. This may be at 1:1250 or 1:2500. A plan identifying the tree(s) and/or hedgerow subject to the application and the position of any new trees and/or hedgerow to be planted should also be marked on the plan. A copy of the Tree Preservation Order plan with the relevant tree(s) clearly marked is equally suitable.

For further information on protected trees please refer to the ODPM leaflet entitled:

"Protected Trees: A guide to tree preservation procedures" (2004). Copies are available from their website <a href="http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/the-authority/planning/Wild-env-protection/trees-hedges/guide-to-protected-trees">http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/the-authority/planning/Wild-env-protection/trees-hedges/guide-to-protected-trees</a>

For further information on Hedgerows please refer to the Department of Environment's Hedgerow Regulations <a href="http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/the-authority/planning/Wild-env-protection/trees-hedges/hedgerow-regulations-fags">http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/the-authority/planning/Wild-env-protection/trees-hedges/hedgerow-regulations-fags</a>

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