

Sent: 14 November 2022 18:58

To: Trees, Protected <ProtectedTrees@crawley.gov.uk>

Subject: 22 Lowe close-TPO Objection Ref 05/2022

Dear Russell Spurrell,

Re; Tree preservation order at 22 Lowe Close

Please accept this email as my objection to the tree preservation for the above address dated 11" October 2022

The tree is in my small back garden 6.5 meters from the property, I fear subsidence is a real threat due to the close proximity of the building and the sheer size of the tree.

The tree in question overhangs 5 separate gardens with mass debris being a huge issue to all concerned, due to damage occurring from the shedding of the tree.

Should the tree become damaged/diseased the risk in the future to cause significant damage to my property and all neighbouring properties is one that is potentially rather high.

The tree has caused great unrest with my neighbours and I am unable to resolve this due to the TPO.

The position of the tree allows minimal sunlight into my property and Garden, and imposes on the view of my upstairs neighbours by severely reducing day light as its crown is all they can see from all back windows.

The tree has out grown its current position due to the previous owners not having maintained the tree for 13 years, this has caused the tree to over grow causing damage to the fencing and ground.

The tree has no amenity value due to lack of visibility and location.

I would like to question the reason for the sudden TPO order placed?

In addition, I consider the TPO to have an adverse effect on my property value and its market appeal. Should the tree require removing this will not have an impact on public amenity due to the abundance of visible trees in the local area.

I have been informed that a member of Crawley Council has recently inspected the tree and area, however, I question this due to my garden being non-accessible without my attendance. The TPO order dated 11.10.22 was initiated after a previous letter requesting it be cut back dated 08.09.22. I have, since April 2022 made multiple attempts at contacting Crawley Council for advise/guidance/permission to maintain this tree, I have had no reply to my calls/messages/requests, this leaving me extremely disappointed in the lack correspondence.

To be clear I am not looking to remove the tree, I believe it requires maintaining as advised by an independent Arboriculture expert, I do however feel the TPO needs to be revoked due to the above reason and the issues it may create in the future. I feel the TPO will restrict necessary work to be undertaken should the tree cause more issues.

I appreciate your time and as stated in all of my correspondence I welcome you to attend my property so it inspected and discussed further.

I look forward to your reply.