REFERENCE NO: CR/2023/0198/TPO

LOCATION:MILTON MOUNT LAKE, POUND HILL, CRAWLEYWARD:Pound Hill North & Forge WoodPROPOSAL:YEW 9166 - CROWN REDUCTION ALL ROUND OF 1.5 TO 2 METRESYEW 9154 - CROWN REDUCTION ALL ROUND OF 1.5 TO 2 METRES

TARGET DECISION DATE: 24 May 2023

CASE OFFICER: Mr R. Spurrell

APPLICANTS NAME:	Crawley Borough Council
AGENTS NAME:	Crawley Borough Council

PLANS & DRAWINGS CONSIDERED:

Drawing Number	Revision	Drawing Title
CBC 0001		Tree Plan

REASON FOR REPORTING TO COMMITTEE:-

Crawley Borough Council is the applicant

PUBLICITY / NOTIFICATION:-

1.1 As CBC is the applicant, notification is required by way of a site notice. The consultation expiry period ended on the 10th June 2023. No representations have been received.

PLANNING HISTORY:-

- 2.1 No history on record for these trees.
- 2.2 The trees are protected under Tree Preservation Order Reference 16.07.04 Number A3.

PLANNING POLICY:-

- 3.1 This application must be considered in the context of the following legislation:
 - Part VIII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulation 2012.
 - National Planning Practice Guidance Tree Preservation Orders and trees in conservation areas.
 - Green Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document (2016) produced to accompany the current adopted Local Plan and is a non-statutory document.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:-

- 4.1 The determining issues in this application are the effect of the proposal on the health, character and appearance of the trees and the level of amenity that they provide within the surrounding area.
- 4.2 The yew trees are located on the southern side of the lake footpath adjacent to the rear boundary of 3 and 4 Magdalene Close. They are mature specimens which make a positive contribution to the overall tree cover in the area and have an estimated life expectancy of over 100 years.

- 4.3 The trees are located right on the boundary with 3 and 4 Magdalene Close and as such are considered to require some containment pruning in order to manage the trees appropriately and mitigate their impact on the neighbouring properties in particular their encroachment into the rear gardens.
- 4.4 Though relatively slow growing, Yew responds to pruning well and the works will likely have a minimal impact on tree health and amenity and are therefore considered justified.

RECOMMENDATION RE: CR/2023/0198/TPO

CONSENT - Subject to the following condition(s):-

- This consent is valid for a period of two years from the date of this notice and shall only be carried out once.
 REASON: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the works in the interests of good tree management in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 2. All works should be carried out in accordance with BS3998: 2010 'Tree Work Recommendations'. REASON: In the interests of visual amenity and to ensure the continuing health of the tree(s) in accordance with The Town & Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.

