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Subject: [EXTERNAL SENDER] The Crawley Borough Order Trees to Front of 47 Blackwater Lane Ref 04/2024

I live at 49 Blackwater Lane, next door to 47 Blackwater Lane and share a driveway with No 47. I have trees at the front of my property subject to a TPO. They are diseased and dying and yet I will have to seek permission to treat them even though they are on the land that I purchased and own. I simply object to the level of bureaucracy involved when you bear in mind that the trees at 47 Blackwater Lane have been in situ for many years without a TPO; No one has cut them down or harmed them and the planners only became aware of their existence because of a recent planning application at No.47.

The property at No.47 is a care facility. It has a need for additional parking facilities. The area identified by the TPO would be ideal; I appreciate that the trees would have to go but the lot could be designed in such a way as to allow for new replacement trees to be planted. Please bear in mind that the existing trees are old and diseased. I cannot see that the TPO serves no purpose other than to force fees from another planning application.

The area identified for the TPO is also the designated fire assembly area for the occupants of No.47. The trees in the provisional TPO at No.47, coupled with the trees in the TPO at No.49 Blackwater Lane are close to the edge of the shared driveway and the roots on each side are lifting and damaging the driveway.

The implementation of another TPO on Blackwater Lane serves no purpose. The trees all along it are old, diseased and drop dead branches onto the highway all the time. Their have been local community wants the trees so why not work with the community to clear out the disease and dead and provide for the introduction of new trees which will help maintain Blackwater Lane's appeal? I am very much against the implementation of yet another pointless bureaucratic doctrine which is outdated and not applied consistently across all developments. Clearly it depends how much the developer is willing to pay !!

I am happy to discuss the above should you wish.

Yours faithfully

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