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Dear Mrs Hood


**Objection to Tree Preservation Order – The Elms Public House**

With reference to your notice dated 13 November 2017 referring to the application of a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) to a sycamore tree on the Eastern Boundary of The Elms Public House. We wish to object to this TPO for the following reasons.

1. In February 2017 we approached Cheshire East planning authority for pre-application advice in respect of our proposal to redevelop the above site for residential purposes. In the written response received, we were advised that the tree in question was not subject to a TPO and there was no reference to a desire to protect the tree.
2. Through the submission of our subsequent planning application (reference number 17/4264M) it was made clear that this tree was to be retained and incorporated within the landscaping plan. There is no threat to the loss of tree and therefore the TPO is not necessary.
3. We fail to see how this tree can be considered to bring significant amenity value to the area given the number of existing trees in the area or that its removal would have significant negative impact on the local environment. We do not believe protecting the tree will bring a reasonable degree of public benefit in the present or future as required by the Department for Community and local government. In our opinion the order has been made to frustrate the current planning application referred to above.

Given that the site is at present a derelict public house that has a significant negative impact on the surrounding amenity, that there is no immediate threat to the tree given the sites current use nor a threat from the proposed development as the tree will be retained, we request that the TPO application is reconsidered.

Yours Sincerely



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