

FORMAL NOTICE

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Tree Preservation Order: SDNP/TPO/000001

Land Known as Patching Pond Arundel Road, Patching West Sussex

THIS IS A FORMAL NOTICE served under Regulation 5 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation)(England) Regulations 2012.

You are advised that on the **14 January 2021**, the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA, hereafter referred to as 'the Authority') confirmed the above referenced Tree Preservation Order. A copy of the Order is enclosed by way of service upon you. In simple terms, this prohibits you from carrying out the following works without the express written consent of the Authority:

- a) Cut down, top, lop, uproot, wilfully damage or wilfully destroy; or
- b) Cause or permit the cutting down, topping, lopping, uprooting, wilful damage or wilful destruction of,

any tree described in the *Schedule* of the Order and as shown on the map attached to the Order.

The Authority has made this Order for the following reason:

The trees as a group or woodland area would warrant a TPO. If the TPO was formed as a woodland, it will allow for sensible management works (subject to permission) to thin out some of the willows around the lake. The area of merit is that which covers the upper 3 quarters of the pond and consists of a mixed of Willow and Alder species. The threat to the trees is believed to be foreseeable as there has been some recent removal of willows in the south western corner of the pond.

No valid arboricultural reason has been demonstrated to justify the removal of these trees at this point in time and there would be a loss in terms of the public amenity value.

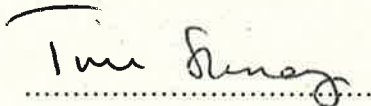
The protection of these trees has also been considered in line with the South Downs Local Plan (adopted 2 July 2019), being contrary to: SD2 (Ecosystem Services), SD4 (Landscape Character), SD9 (Biodiversity & Geodiversity), SD11 (Trees, Woodland & Hedgerows), SD12 (Historic Environment) & SD15 (Conservation Areas).

Please note that an application to carry out works to the tree can be made under the Order at any time by submitting the standard application form to the Authority for 'Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order'.

The Order comes into force on 14 January 2021 but if a person aggrieved by the Order wants to question its validity, or that of any provision contained in it, on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 or the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended, or on the grounds that any requirement of the Act, as amended, or of any regulation made under the Act has not been complied with in relation to the Order, he or she may, under section 284 to the Act, within 6 weeks from 14 January 2021 make an application to the High Court.

Dated: 14 January 2021

Signed on behalf of the South Downs National Park Authority.



Authorised by the Authority sign in that behalf
