

51 Sandelswood End
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Ref – Tree Preservation Order (2) for 30 Sandelswood End, Beaconsfield

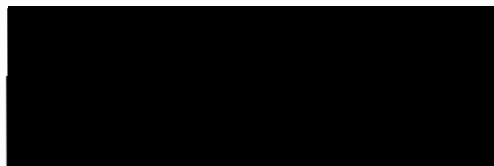
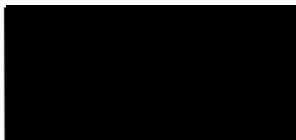
Dear Mr Musgrove

We are writing to support the Order to protect the specimen of *Araucaria araucana* (Monkey Puzzle) in the front garden of 30 Sandelswood End.

- We believe the tree provides an iconic point of interest in the street as it's the only such specimen in Sandelswood End.
- The species is on the CITES Appendix 1 list of endangered flora in its native location. It is believed that over 1 million of them have been burned in the most recent fire that spread through Chile's China Muerta National Park (The Guardian 2015). We should thus support any mature specimens as best that we can.
- A plant family (*Araucaria*) that has survived since the Jurassic era should not be destroyed in the cause of a conversion of a garage into a TV room.

The council should act quickly to protect the tree until a final decision because building work is being carried out on the permitted extensions to 30 Sandelswood End and materials are being delivered and stored around the base of the tree. There is the potential for damage to the specimen whilst deliberations are being made.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Mr Musgrave

Tree Preservation Order. Your Reference TPO/2017/002

Thank you for your letter of 21 December informing me that a provisional TPO has been placed on the monkey puzzle tree in the front garden of 30 Sandelswood End, Knotty Green., HP9 2AE. I see that the order has still to be confirmed.

I would like to support this TPO and ask that it be confirmed in due course. The tree must be about forty years old. It is a lovely shape and provides a splash of green during the winter months and a cool green during the summer. It enhances this area of Sandelswood End and to the best of my knowledge it is the only mature monkey puzzle tree in this area. Monkey puzzle trees are slow growing so it would be a tragedy were this delightful tree to be cut down.

I see that the tree is listed as endangered in its native area. This is, of course, South America but endangered species need protection wherever they be.

I ask, please, that this TPO be confirmed in the fullness of time.

Yours sincerely,

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