

ANNEX 1

**TREE EVALUATION METHOD FOR PRESERVATION ORDERS – TEMPO
SURVEY DATA SHEET AND DECISION GUIDE**

Date:	Surveyor:
-------	-----------

Tree Details	
TPO request Ref (if applicable): Species:	Tree/Group No:
Owner (if known):	
Location/Site:	

REFER TO GUIDANCE NOTE FOR ALL DEFINITIONS

Part 1: Amenity Assessment

a) Conditions & suitability for TPO

- 5) Good Highly suitable
- 3) Fair/satisfactory Suitable
- 1) Poor Unlikely to be suitable
- 0) Dead/dying/dangerous* Unsuitable

Score & Notes

--

** Relates to existing context and is intended to apply to severe irremediable defects only*

b) Retention span (in years) & suitability for TPO

- 5) 100+ Highly suitable
- 4) 40-100 Very suitable
- 2) 20-40 Suitable
- 1) 10-20 Just suitable
- 0) <10* Unsuitable

Score & Notes

--

*Includes trees which are an existing or near future nuisance, including those clearly outgrowing their context, or which are significantly negating the potential of other trees of better quality.

c) Relative public visibility & suitability for TPO

Consider realistic potential for future visibility with changed land use

- 5) Very large trees with some visibility, or prominent large trees Highly suitable
- 4) Large trees, or medium trees clearly visible to the public Suitable
- 3) Medium trees, or large trees with limited view only Suitable
- 2) Young, small or medium/large trees visible only with difficulty Barely suitable
- 1) Trees not visible to the public, regardless of size Probably unsuitable

Score & Notes

d) Other factors

Trees must have accrued 7 or more points (with no zero score) to qualify

- 5) Principal components of formal arboricultural features, or veteran trees
- 4) Tree groups, or principal members of groups important for their cohesion
- 3) Trees with identifiable historic, commemorative or habitat importance
- 2) Trees of particular good form, especially rare or unusual
- 1) Trees with none of the above additional redeeming features (inc. those of indifferent form)
- 1) Trees with poor form or which are generally unsuitable for their location

Score & Notes

Part 2 – Expediency assessment

Trees must have accrued 9 or more points to qualify

- 5) Immediate threat to tree inc. s.211 Notice
- 3) Forseeable threat to tree
- 2) Perceived threat to tree
- 1) Precautionary only

Score & Notes

Part 3 – Decision guide

- Any 0 Do not apply TPO
- 1-6 TPO indefensible
- 7-11 Does not merit TPO
- 12-15 TPO defensible
- 16+ Definitely merits TPO

Add Scores for Total:

Decision guide:
