AGENDA ITEM NO: 10/3(a)

Parish:	Hunstanton	
Purpose of report:	TO CONSIDER WHETHER TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 2/TPO/00647 SHOULD BE CONFIRMED, MODIFIED OR NOT CONFIRMED IN THE LIGHT OF OBJECTIONS	
Location:	41 Greevegate Hunstanton Norfolk PE36 6AF	
Case No:	2/TPO/00647	
Grid Ref:	567550 341071	Date of service of Order: 14 December 2022

RECOMMENDATION - CONFIRM ORDER WITHOUT MODIFICATION

The Site

The two Cypress trees occupy part of the southern boundary of a garden which wraps around the north of number 43 Greevegate. The mature trees are established and it is likely that large trees would have been part of the gardens in that area for many years. The trees make a valuable landscape contribution.

Background Information

It is understood that the owners at No.41 and the occupants of No.43 do not have a good relationship. The trees are one source of dispute and by serving a TPO issues relating to the trees can be dealt with in an even manner by The Borough's Tree Officer and on Arboricultural merit which is hoped will dampen any ill feelings between to the two parties.

Reason for Placing the TPO

The owner of the trees met with the former Arboricultural Officer, Richard Fisher, on site in 2022 and he was of a mind that the trees should be retained. The TPO was not served as Mr fisher was soon to leave The Borough.

Jonathan Bundock, acting Tree Officer, visited the owners in December 2022 following an application from the neighbours at No.43 to prune the overhanging branches back to the boundary. This was deemed excessive and would have led to a one-sided and unsightly appearance. A TPO was prepared in order to better manage any future works to the trees and also to ensure future tree cover in that area should the current Cypress trees become overmature or decline.

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Background Papers

TPO file reference: 2/TPO/00647

Appendix 1: Copy of scoring assessment