Supplementary Planning Agenda – 29th January 2025

Item 4 - DM/0772/24/TPO. 4 Queens Parade, Cleethorpes

Further representations have been received on behalf of the owner of the tree confirming that a separate TPO application to carry out works to the tree has been submitted by the owner of 4 Queens Parade under application DM/0054/25/TPO. This is supported by a form and tree report. The application description is as follows:

'Raise Crown (raise crown to 5.2m over the carriage way) Priority 3; Remove Deadwood (Degree Moderate) (Remove deadwood over 30mm diameter throughout the tree.) Priority 3; Clear street lamp (Prune to give light splay clearance) Priority 1; Reduce Crown (meters 1.5m) (Reduce the overextending southern limb by a maximum of 1.5m to reduce biomechanical stresses on the limb and bring it back to within the natural canopy line) Priority 4.'

Further representations from 27A Parker Street, Cleethorpes. Concerns are raised that the application has been submitted by an organisation 'Waterfront Residents Association' and not an individual. The validity of the application is questioned on this basis. It is not felt that one car being subject to bird droppings justifies the works which will impact on the tree, birds and the trees owner. It is stated that the tree is roosting habitat for other bird species including robins, dunnocks, blue tits, house sparrows, blackbirds and finches and not just wood pigeons. The works will displace birds. Finally, it is considered that the works are against Council Policy to increase tree canopy in the Borough and that the works would undermine this tree through risk of disease. The tree is one of the finest in Cleethorpes. It is considered that the owner of the tree has done everything right to safeguard it and therefore the application should be refused. This will prevent a compromised position, allow the parties to continue discussions and the applicant can appeal it.