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Decision Maker: Plans Sub Committee No 1

Date: 19th January 2012

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: REQUEST FOR A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER AT 23
OXENDEN WOOD ROAD, CHELSFIELD

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Chief Officer: Bob McQuillan, Chief Planner

Ward: Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom

1. Reason for report

To consider the making of a tree preservation order.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

The making of a tree preservation order be authorised.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing policy.
 2. BBB Priority: Quality Environment.
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No cost
 2. Ongoing costs: N/A.
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Planning Division Budget
 4. Total current budget for this head: £3.3m
 5. Source of funding: existing revenue budget
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 103.89ftes
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory requirement.
 2. Call-in: Call-in is not applicable.
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Those affected by the proposed tree preservation order
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? No.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

- a. Planning permission has recently been given for a replacement dwelling at this property. There is an oak tree at the front of the property which is currently unprotected and it is a significant tree in the landscape helping to give character to this part of Oxenden Wood Road. which together with other trees in similar locations gives this area its unique character.
- b. The tree is shown to be retained on the plans and would not be affected by the proposed replacement dwelling. However in view of its amenity value the making of a TPO is recommended.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None

7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

None

Non-Applicable Sections:	[List non-applicable sections here]
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	[Title of document and date]