

MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (TREE PRESERVATION ORDER AND TREES IN CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2010

THE MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDER No. 2 (2021)

NOTICE OF MAKING OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER LAND AT LITTLE MOSS AND NETHER MOSS, HOWGATE, PENICUIK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL** has made a Tree Preservation Order in respect of the tree contained within the area detailed in the plan and described in the First Schedule to the Order which accompanies this Notice.

The Council's reasons for making the Order are that the trees are semi-mature and are a significant feature in the local landscape. Groups 1 and 2 are roadside trees forming part of what was a continuous liner shelterbelt of mixed broadleaf and deciduous trees, including Scots Pine and Beech, running along the west side of the A6094 between Mosshouses and Cluny House. Linear shelterbelts of this type and species are a characteristic historic feature south of Howgate and Penicuik, and were planted to provide shelter due to the exposed nature of the landscape. Individual Beech trees as at Group 3 are also a characteristic and historic feature of this landscape. Group 3 is important in distant views owing to its location on a visually prominent ridge when viewed from the west and north-west, especially from Milkhall Road and the Lead Burn corridor. The trees mark the start of a distinct landscape change from the more exposed land around Leadburn to the south, and the smaller scale, more domestic, planted and wooded setting of the village of Howgate.

A certified copy of the Order may be inspected online at https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/downloads/download/749/tree_preservation_orders

Any objections or representations with respect to the Order should be made to the Council in accordance with Article 5 of the above Regulations and the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020. Public Notice of the Order by Advertisement will appear in the "Midlothian Advertiser" newspaper on 15th April 2021. Objections and representations must be made in writing to conservation@midlothian.gov.uk by Friday 14th May 2021.

The Order contains a Direction under Section 163 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, making the Order effective from 31st March 2021.

Kevin Anderson
Director, Place
31st March 2021