

**WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL****PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2010****Land at Coombe House and 64 Broomfield Road, Kidderminster**  
**Tree Preservation Order No. 348**

<b>OPEN</b>	
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<b>APPENDICES:</b>	<b>Location Map</b>

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To determine whether the Tree Preservation Order No 348 (2010) relating to trees on land at Coombe House and 64 Broomfield Road should be confirmed or not.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 **That Tree Preservation Order No. 348 be confirmed without modifications.**

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 During 2008 and 2009 the Council commenced the re-surveying of all Area Tree Preservation Orders within the District that were made pre-1975. This was carried out for a number of reasons, although instructions sent from Central Government requiring all local authorities to keep their TPO's up-to-date and in good order, placed a greater emphasis on the need to undertake such survey work.
- 3.2 The original TPO at this site was made in 1959, thereby predating the construction of the properties on Broomfield Road.

**4. KEY ISSUES**

- 4.1 Over the years many of the trees within the original Order have been removed, leaving only four trees of any note that are worthy of a Tree Preservation Order.
- 4.2 The four remaining trees are outstanding specimens that are clearly visible from a number of public vantage points in the surrounding area.
- 4.3 The trees in question are:
- T1 Coast Redwood
  - T2 Wellingtonia
  - T3 Oak
  - T4 Beech

4.4 An objection to the TPO has been received from one local resident. Details of the nature of the objection is as follows:

- T1 (Coast Redwood) is causing staining to the house and car.

**Officer Comments**

4.5 In response to the objection, the following comments are made:

- There is evidence of significant staining from the Coast Redwood tree (T1) on the car, which is parked on the driveway under the tree. However, very little staining is visible on the house itself. The Coast Redwood tree is a very prominent feature within the local landscape and adds a significant amount of amenity to the area. There are less drastic ways in which to protect the car from the staining instead of felling the tree, which might include a car cover or parking of the car within the garage of the property.

**5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no financial implications arising directly as a result of this report.

**6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no legal and policy implications arising directly as a result of this report.

**7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

7.1 There are no risk management issues arising directly as a result of this report.

**8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

8.1 There are no issues arising from the equality impact assessment.

**9. CONCLUSION**

9.1 Officers consider that the objections and representations have been fully considered and that the Tree Preservation Order should be made without modification.

**10. CONSULTEES**

10.1 None

**11. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

11.1 Tree Preservation Order No. 348

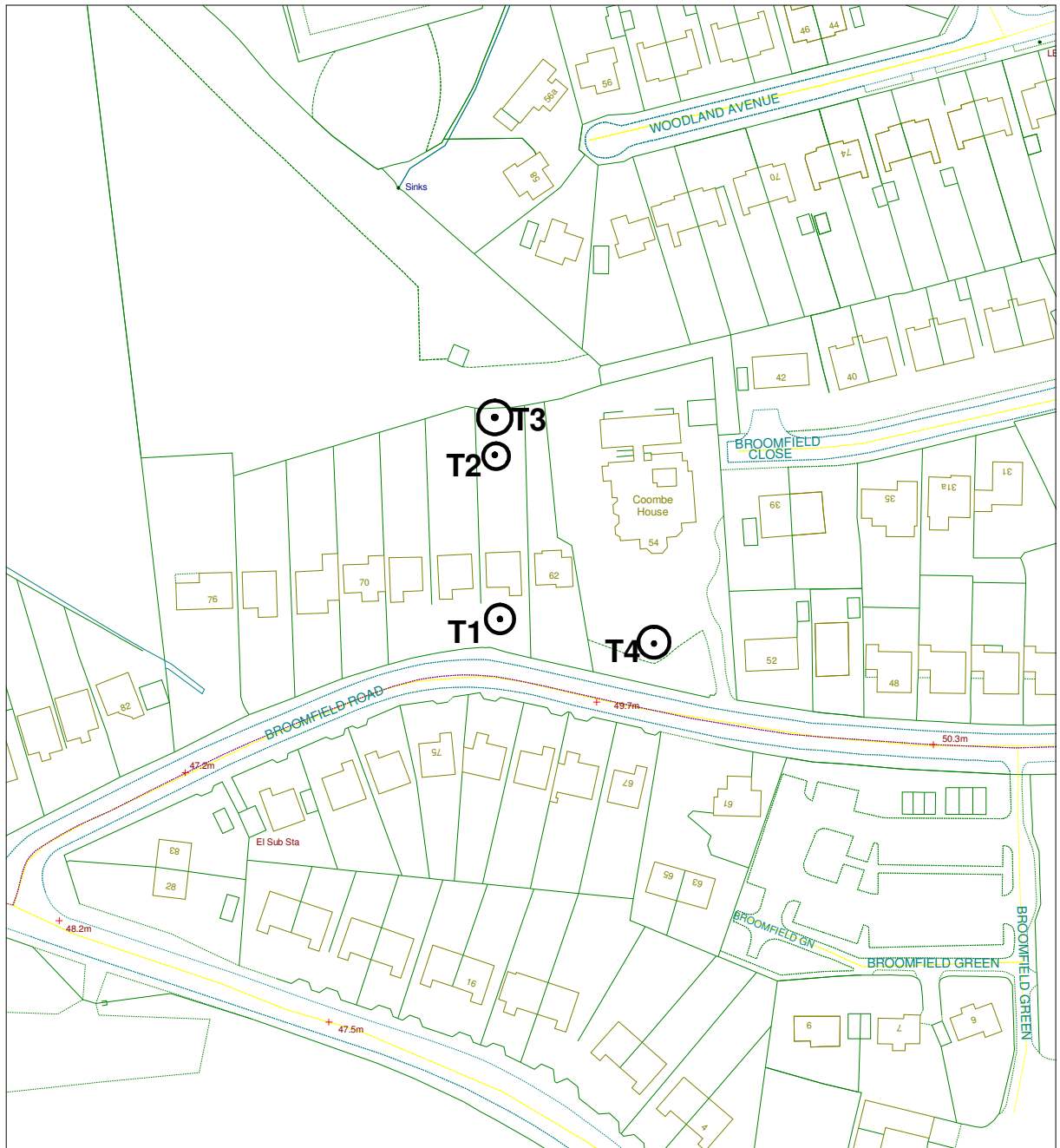
TPO LOCATION PLAN

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