

1. Application under consideration:

Application No:	22/02501/TPO
Location:	The Manor St Joseph's Place Malpas Cheshire SY14 7FN
Proposal:	Oak (T33) - Crown reduction of 1m and removal of branch on the roadside. Beech (T36) - 1.5m crown reduction and a branch lift over the road. Beech (T39) - Remove and replace with nursery mature specimen in location as close as possible to existing setting. Cedar (T24) - Remove deadwood and crown thin by 15%.
Consultation Deadline Date	26 th July 2022

2. Executive summary: *(Delete which statements are not appropriate and add reasons.)*

~~1/ Malpas Parish Council supports this application because:~~

~~2/ Malpas Parish Council objects to this application because:~~

3/ Malpas Parish Council would make the observations as documented below:

4/ If the Cheshire West Council Planning Authority is minded to approve the application the Parish Council would request that the following conditions be included:

i/	Any necessary removal of trees should see replacements on at least two for one basis as defined in policy DM45 note 2 of the Cheshire West Local Plan part 2 and the Malpas and Overton Neighbourhood Plan.
ii/	

3. Background Factors:

Open countryside		Within settlement boundary	X	Conservation area	X
Listed Building		Tree Preservation Order	X		
Relevant Neighbourhood Plan Policies	LC4				

4. Positive aspects of development

Potential benefits to the community	Reduced risk to life
-------------------------------------	----------------------

5. Material considerations against development (visual, noise, pollution etc.)

Potential impact on neighbours	None identified
Potential impact on wider community	The removal of a beech tree will have an impact on the community reducing the carbon capture capability. The Parish Council would ask that the applicant provides a Biodiversity Net Gain Plan as per current planning regulations; this to compensate for the inevitable loss of biodiversity the scale of this proposal will result in.

6. Other relevant information

The TPO Tree report associated with this application is un-readable.

Many trees have been removed from this site since the first planning application back in 2005. Further felling of trees or even foliage removal goes against the need to preserve trees in the fight to mitigate against climate change.

Referring to the applications “Statement of Reasons for Work”, the Parish Council’s do not see tree T39 as an intolerable risk of harm, and our view is that trees should not be felled unless there is imminent danger to life, and not just a possible future financial impact via power lines.

Even then, any necessary removal of a tree should see replacements on at least two for one basis as defined in policy DM45 note 2 of the Cheshire West Local Plan part 2 and the Malpas and Overton Neighbourhood Plan.

The power supply company have their own programme for protecting power lines and that programme which is ongoing at the moment in the Tilston Road area of Malpas will resolve any interference with their power supply lines.

The Council would question why there is no Biodiversity Net Gain Plan associated with this application.

Malpas Parish Council like CW&C, has declared a climate emergency and would expect all proposals for new developments, extensions or alterations to recognise this, specifically by ensuring properties are at least carbon neutral, avoiding the use of fossil fuels and have facilities for the charging electric vehicles.

Signed: Clerk Malpas Parish Council

Dated: