

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**CONFIRMATION OF TREE PRESERVATION (37 SCHOOL LANE, APPLEBY)  
ORDER 2017**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 Decision as to whether the Tree Preservation (37 School Lane, Appleby) Order 2017 be confirmed or not.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 An application to fell an ash tree within Appleby Conservation was made (PA/2017/1864), and as the tree was considered to have visual amenity from public vantage points, a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) was placed on this tree on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- 2.2 The owner of the tree has objected to the making of this order, and this is the reason that this matter brought to this committee to decide whether this TPO be confirmed. Confirmation would need to be undertaken prior to 13 June 2018, otherwise the TPO would lapse.
- 2.3 The tree owner has since made an application under the TPO regulations to fell the tree (PA/2018/571), decided under delegated powers, and this has been refused. It is believed that the tree owner is now considering appealing on this decision with the planning inspectorate.

**3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 3.1 To confirm the TPO, and enable the tree to continue to be protected by the order, or to not confirm the order and allow the tree owner to fell the tree.

**4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

- 4.1 The tree is an old mature Ash tree, situated within the outer edge of the village of Appleby within the Conservation area. The tree has visual amenity within this area, particularly from the open countryside at the edge of the village.

4.2 The tree has Inonotus fungal brackets visible however these are very commonly found within old ash trees, and although some pruning works may be acceptable to reduce the branches on the tree (through an application process), which would enable the continued retention of the tree and the visual amenity it presently has. This was not considered sufficient to warrant the felling of the tree or prevent it having a TPO placed upon it.

**5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

5.1 None

**7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

7.1 The Parish Council had no objections or comments regarding this tree.

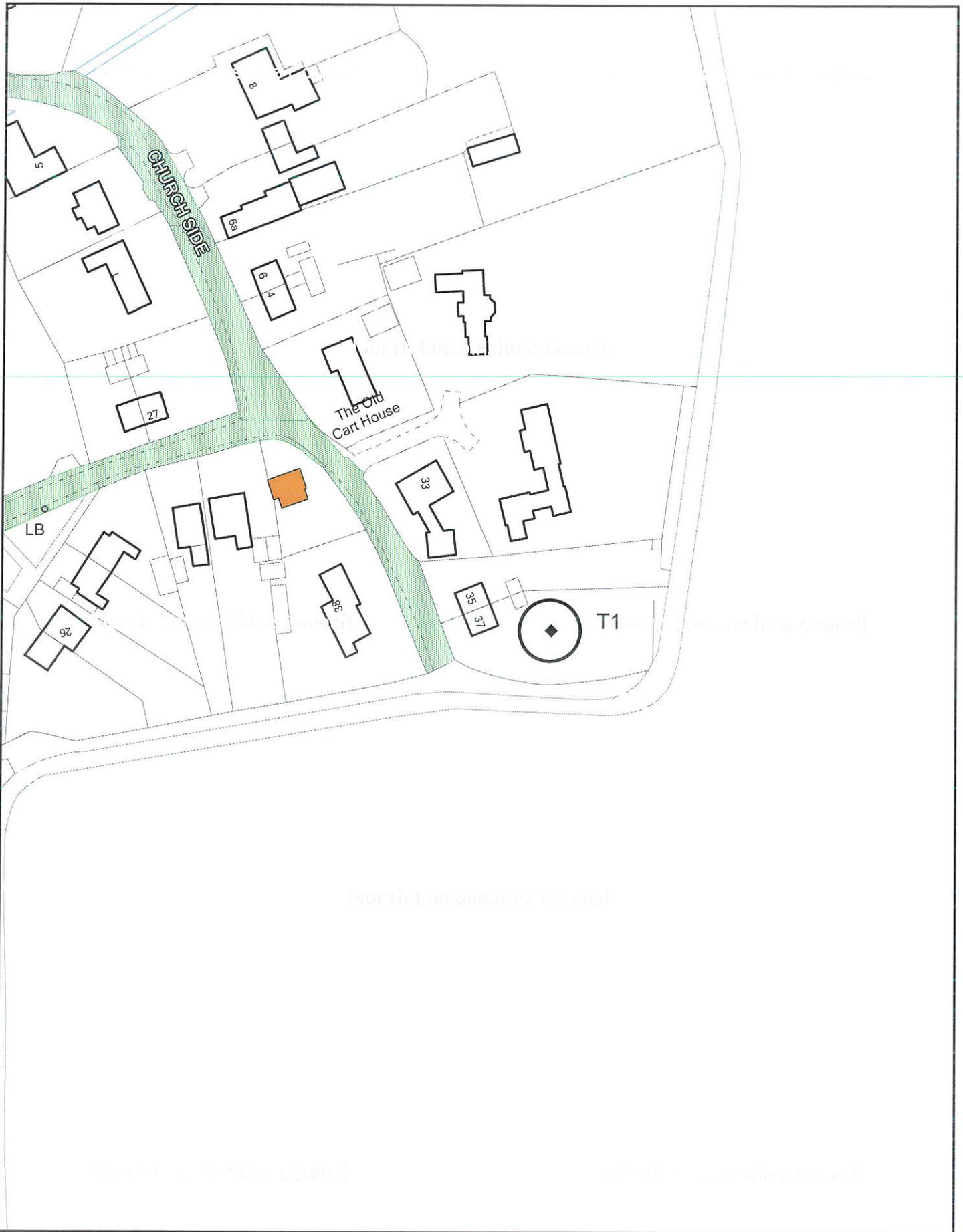
**8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That the planning committee confirm this Tree Preservation Order

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**Background Papers used in the preparation of this report**



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