

Subject: Tree Preservation Order: Woodland Corridor Off Whalley Road Mellor Brook
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FAO Countryside Officer David Hewitt/Alex Shutt

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Thank you for your correspondence of 18th November regarding the above. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] As you will be aware the TPO covers [REDACTED] its
[REDACTED] to the eastern boundary with the adjoining field and woodland.
Firstly, we welcome the Order and agree that the area provides valuable habitat and generally enhances the community amenity value. We would however, be grateful for some further clarification and advice. The wooded area running alongside Whalley Road from the western boundary to the [REDACTED] is securely fenced off and managed to the [REDACTED] as mature woodland. In fact, it may contain some ancient woodland indicator plants such as Dog's Mercury and Wood Anemone. However, the land shown on the map enclosed with your correspondence, to the southwest of our property up to the eastern boundary incorporates most of [REDACTED] herbaceous borders and a Japanese style [REDACTED]. There are around 20 ornamental trees plus some hedging in this area including Prunus, Japanese Acers, coppiced Cercidiphyllum, Sambuscus niger, Copper Beech and Hornbeam. As you can imagine these need suitable management. Presumably, these trees be subject to the Order, if so, how should we maintain them in the future without breaching the Order?

We would appreciate a visit to our property to clarify things. Please contact us either via email or phone.

Regards
[REDACTED]