

### Record of officer decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	To make a provisional Tree Preservation Order (TPO) in Ledgemoor
<b>Date of decision:</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> October 2018
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Principal Natural Environment Officer
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	ECC Scheme of Delegation and the functions scheme of the constitution: 'Powers relating to the protection of important hedgerows and preservation of trees'.
<b>Ward:</b>	Weobley
<b>Consultation:</b>	Consultation with ward member
<b>Decision made:</b>	To serve a provisional TPO.
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	A mature Oak tree with significant public amenity value is in close proximity of approved development of a single dwelling. The tree will be protected during development but the order will provide long term protection.
<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	The proposals have due regard to our public sector equality duty. There are no health and safety implications or other risks. This is because the owner of the trees is responsible for them, including monitoring their condition and undertaking any works required on safety grounds.
<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	Not to serve a TPO has been considered and is viewed unacceptable because the tree has amenity value and its retention does not prevent development on the site.
<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	None.

Signed.....  ..... Date: 25/10/2018