

### Record of officer decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	To make provisional Tree Preservation Order 709 Hollystone Ross-on-Wye
<b>Date of decision:</b>	14 May 2026
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Principal Natural Environment Officer
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	Directorate scheme of delegation: updated 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 Directorate - Economy and Place, section 71: <i>'To act on behalf of the council in respect of all land use planning matters administered by the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Acts, secondary legislations and any related statutory instruments'</i> .
<b>Ward:</b>	Ross West
<b>Consultation:</b>	Notified the ward member of the statutory 28-day consultation
<b>Decision made:</b>	To serve a provisional TPO
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	The copper beech tree is of high amenity value given its prominence within the street scene and its contribution to the character of the area. Its removal will result in significant and detrimental loss of public amenity. It is considered that adjoining shrubs have caused the wall damage and that there are alternative measures to manage the repair and safety of the wall. The Council have made the Order to protect the tree which is under threat of premature removal
<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 tree is responsible for it, including monitoring its 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 is worthy of conservation.
<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	None

Signed:

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026


Principal Natural Environment Officer