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Ms Nicola Fordyce, Conveyancing Practitioner, Angus Council Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, FORFAR Angus DD8 1AN

25th September 2018

Dear Ms. Fordyce,

The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997
The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order and Trees in Conservation Areas)
(Scotland) Regulations 2010
The Angus Council (Land at Carlogie, Carnoustie) Tree Preservation Order 2018 No. 3

I refer to your letter of 5th September, 2018 all as per the above.

The mature trees in question have all been looked at during the last 3-4 years by a respected and qualified Forestry Adviser. The vast majority of the trees are approaching the end of their natural life. Many are damaged and dying.

Six years go 15-20 of the trees blew down in a gale. Fortunately the gale was from the North and most of the trees landed in the fields. Last Wednesday's gale was a gale from the South West. One of the trees blew down over the public road – I enclose photos. Traffic had to be diverted for three hours until the tree was cleared up and there was a police presence throughout. The police officer in attendance was PC David Butler and the incident number was "Incident 2999 of 19th September 2018".

I am not sure who the qualified person is, in either Angus Council Planning Department or Carnoustie Community Council, who professes to possess suitable forestry qualifications. Their advice is certainly contrary to the advice, which presumably pre-empted the TPO, I have had about these trees.

I am presently in discussion with my insurer vis a vis Public Liability. There is no doubt whatsoever that the trees are a danger to the generally public. If a car had been passing when the tree blew

down on Wednesday, remembering that this is a busy road (A930), then the consequence could well have been a fatality.

I would ask that you refer this matter to the relevant person within the planning authority.

I would like this letter to be treated as a formal record of my fundamental disagreement in regard to the imposition of the TPO. This is on the grounds of public safety.

Yours sincerely,



Simon W.D. Laird

cc. Allan McKeown, Strategic Director, Angus Council.







