

THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. HC137, 2021 UPPER OSTAIG, KILBEG, SLEAT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in terms of Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order and Trees in Conservation Areas) (Scotland) Regulations, 2010, as amended, that The Highland Council confirmed The Highland Council Tree Preservation Order No. HC137, 2021 Upper Ostaig, Kilbeg, Sleat on 26 November 2021.

The reasons for confirming the Order are: This small area of woodland is a valuable amenity feature containing two particularly notable trees (horse chestnut and walnut). The woodland provides an important visual separation between the Ostaig Farm Square and Cottages to the east, which are Category B listed buildings, and the proposed development site to the west, referred to as Upper Ostaig. The proposed development site at Upper Ostaig has been allocated in the Adopted West Plan for Mixed Use (ES05), with an indicative housing capacity of 16 units. This includes a developer requirement to 'protect and enhance boundary trees'. A planning application (20/04244/FUL) has been submitted for 18 units, which includes an access onto the minor road to Tarskavaig. The visibility splay associated with the proposed access point involves the removal of a section of the woodland, including the two most notable trees. The Order will allow the Council to protect this important woodland feature and to encourage appropriate longer-term management.

The Order was confirmed without modifications and applies to the trees of whatever species standing in the area marked "W1" and shown within a continuous red line on the map annexed and executed as relative to the Order.

As the Council Service Points are currently closed, a copy of the confirmed Order has been deposited for inspection on the Council's website: www.highland.gov.uk

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