Re: Oak Tree on Gerald Street LINCOLN Submission SO6D1

This submission is from Sue Jarvis on behalf of the Lincoln Envirotown Trust

We oppose the submission of Paul James Comrie of Kildare Terrace, Lincoln that the oak tree be placed on the protected list.

Reasons:

That the tree is an oak, which, while a nice specimen and it is always sad to remove an established tree, is one of a number in Lincoln with many older specimens already in the Liffey domain. Oak trees are not part of the natural ecosystem in the Canterbury area and the acorns do not provide food for native animals, unlike in its natural habitat where they are eaten by squirrels and many other animals.

If the tree needs to be removed as part of the library development plan to create a usable green space for the Lincoln community, then a protection order would not allow this. If it is not necessary for it to be removed then it can be kept without a protection order.

We hope that the new green space as part of the new library complex with provide the heart of Lincoln with plantings of ecosourced natives, including specimen native trees, which would have the advantage of not dropping lots of large leaves and acorns in autumn. They would also attract native birds, with the choice of suitable species.

We seek the following decision from the SDC:

That they decline the application to place this oak tree on the protected list.

SIGN.

Signature:

Sue Jarvis, chair LET

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