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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
TREE WORKS IN A CONSERVATION AREA

Reference: H04-0013-25 **Date of Decision:** 6th February 2025

Applicant: Thomas Cowley High School
School Lane
Donington
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Lincolnshire
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Location: Cowley Academy School Lane Donington Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Donington Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to remove a silver birch tree on the northern side of the School Playing Field adjacent to the southern side of School Lane.

Please see the Health & Safety Report in relation to trees at the Cowley Academy dated 29th November 2024 by East Midlands Tree Surveys Ltd, for the position of the tree and comments.

'Fell and remove birch T123'
'Actionable defects:
Base - Armillaria mellea
Control Measures:
Fell
Timescale: 25-Feb-2025 (3 Months).'

South Holland District Council has considered the proposal and has no objections, subject to any recommendation set out below;

1 That the proposed work is carried out within two years of the date of this letter of 'No

Objection'.

2 Work is to be carried out in accordance with BSI 3998 : 2010, 'Recommendations for Tree Work'.

3 The resulting stump of the tree should be ground out to at least 300mm below ground level, to help reduce the risk of the stump harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees.

Notes:

The necessary consent of all other interested parties should be obtained before the works proceed.

In this case the duty of the landowner is to plant another tree, of an appropriate size and species, at the same place and as soon as reasonably possible.

It is recommended that the tree is replaced with a species of tree which is less likely to be susceptible to honey fungus (Armillaria mellea) than the silver birch. A pear, Pyrus calleryana 'Chanticleer' of at least 1.5 metres on planting would be ideal; to be planted as near as reasonably practicable (bearing in mind the fungi) to the position of the original tree, within a period of twelve months.

Please inform the Local Planning Authority as soon as replanting has taken place and indicate the position of the replacement tree. Section 207 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 empowers this Authority to issue a Notice formally requiring replacement trees to be planted.

Under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) all birds, their nests and eggs are protected by law and it is an offence to damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while it is in use or being built. In the event of query please contact Natural England on Tel: 03000 603900.

Bats are protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) and in the event that bats are living in any cavities in the tree(s), or if they are discovered while the works are taking place, please inform Natural England on Tel: 03000 603900 before works proceed.



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