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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

Reference: H07-0242-24 **Date of Decision:** 17th April 2024

Applicant: Mr M Smith
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Location: Sycamore Farm 6 Station Road Gedney Hill Spalding

Description: Works to Gedney Hill Tree Preservation Order No 1 1984

Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to protected trees on the frontage of Sycamore Farm, 6 Station Road.

The trees are the subject of Gedney Hill Tree Preservation Order No 1 1984.

'T16 Sycamore Deceased posing danger to overhead telephone cables and public highway.' (Presumably wish to remove it.)

'T17 Sycamore posing danger to overhead telephone lines and public highway requires pollarding/crown reduction back to previous size as per application H07-1024-13.' (Re-pollard the tree, remove no more than two thirds of height above the old pollard cuts. (Leave one third of the existing height above the old pollard cuts)).

'T18 Oak requires 1 of 3 stems removing due to encroachment on neighbouring property and to prevent further damage to other remaining stems.'

'These trees have been viewed by the Local Authority's tree protection officer in conjunction with application number H07-0676-23'.

South Holland District Council hereby give notice that permission has been GRANTED (or equivalent) subject to the following condition(s):

1 That the proposed work is carried out within two years of the date of this decision unless otherwise agreed with the District Council.

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

3 The resulting stump of the tree to be removed should be ground out to at least 300mm below ground level, unless otherwise agreed with the District Council, to help reduce the risk of the stump harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees. Take care not to damage the roots of adjacent trees in the process. (If want to retain for a while for biodiversity reasons can do, but monitor fungi risk and ultimately remove.)

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 to replace the dead sycamore 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 either a further sycamore, a field maple, a horse chestnut, a hornbeam or a whitebeam, of at least 1.5 metres in height on planting, as near as reasonably practicable to the position of the original tree, within a period of twelve months.

Regular watering in dry periods for at least the first two years after planting is recommended, to help ensure the roots get properly established.

Modifications such as choice of replacement species, may be agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

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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RIGHTS OF APPEAL:

Where an application is made to the Authority for consent and that consent is refused or is granted subject to conditions the applicant, if aggrieved by the decision, may appeal to the Planning Inspectorate (PiNS). Appeals must be received by the PiNS within 28 days of the Council's decision. The appeal should be made on the relevant TPO (consents) appeal form which can be obtained from PiNS. The form can be found on the Planning Portal website at:

https://www.gov.uk/appeal-decision-about-tree-order

Alternatively a form can be obtained by writing to Environment Appeals, Room 3A Eagle Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN or telephone on 0303 444 5000.

If you visit the Planning Portal web site you will be able to complete the appeal form and return it to PiNS electronically via the email address:

treeandhedgeappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk