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

**Reference:** H08-0026-23 **Date of Decision:** 17th February 2023

**Applicant:** Mrs J Houghton
22 Church Street
Gosberton
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PE11 4NF

**Location:** 22 Church Street Gosberton Spalding

**Description:** Works to Trees in Gosberton Conservation Area

**Detailed Description:**

Notification to remove a large eucalyptus tree which has out-grown its space, located to the rear of 22 Church Street.

Please see the sketch plan accompanying the Notification for the position of the tree.

An extract from the Agent's application statement reads:
'Request to remove a eucalyptus tree from the rear of the address above due to severe uplift, the fence being pushed over into the neighbouring carpark and the gate is no longer able to close. Brick pavers have been lifted to 550mm (this is approximately from the original height when laid) 1/3 of the garden is now unusable. The rapid growth of this tree will soon undermine the garage.'

In the Agent's words:

'T1- eucalyptus tree - removal, stump ground out and replacement with a native species of tree. (Yew tree has been advised).'

**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 /removed 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.

It may be advisable to obtain the opinion of a qualified arboriculturist regarding the potential effect that the removal of the tree could have on nearby built structures.

It is recommended that the tree is replaced with a yew as stated on the Notification Form. (Please note yews are poisonous, but are a native species which are said to be able to live for more than 1500 years if given the opportunity.)

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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