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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

Reference: H08-0411-25 **Date of Decision:** 7th July 2025

Applicant: Mr S Dougill
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Location: 2 Park Close Gosberton Spalding

Description: Works to Gosberton Tree Preservation Order No. 13 1988

Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to a large ash tree in the rear garden of 2 Park Close. The tree is within Area One of Gosberton Tree Preservation Order No. 13 1988.

In the words of the Applicant:

'We believe the large ash tree at the rear of our property is suffering from 'Ash die back'. We base this on the increase in size and quantity of dead wood that has fallen from it over the last 12 months. Speaking to our neighbours on either side (who have ash trees of a similar size) they experienced similar issues, resulting in their trees having to be reduced considerably in size. We have an additional potential Health And Safety Risk, as our tree is only 9.5 m from the nearest building.
We have not yet chosen a contractor to carry out any work, until we receive a response to this Application and we can confirm the extent of work required.'

Extent of works required:

Following inspection by a qualified arboriculturalist:

'They concur with' the recommendation of the Trees and Nature Conservation Officer 'to have our tree reduced in size by 30%. Their initial inspection did not raise any additional concerns with the health/condition of the tree'.

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'.

Notes:

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

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