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

**Reference:** H08-1128-22 **Date of Decision:** 20th December 2022

**Applicant:** Mr T Finn
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**Location:** The Cottage 7 Westhorpe Road Gosberton Spalding

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

**Detailed Description:**

Notification of works to remove a cherry tree from the frontage of The Cottage, 7 Westhorpe Road.

Please see the position of the tree on the sketch plan provided with the Notification, also photographs on request.

'Cherry - Reference No: 1 - The mature cherry tree has several pockets of cavity rot (See photos) rendering the upper section of the tree unsafe. The rot on the vertical trunk facing the road has now infected the branch closest and was loose to the touch, so was pulled clear for safety. It is my recommendation that the tree be dismantled on the grounds of safety and age, Work would involve the use of an aerial platform as the tree is unsafe to climb. It is recommended that the stump be ground out and a replacement planted.'

## 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 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.

3 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.

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 cherry of at least 1.5 metres high on planting as near as reasonably practicable, 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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