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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

Reference: H09-0571-23 **Date of Decision:** 14th August 2023

Applicant: Lincolnshire County Council
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Location: Stukeley Park Spalding Road Holbeach Spalding

Description: Works to Holbeach Tree Preservation Order No 10 1986

Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to trees within the grounds of Stukeley Park.

The trees concerned are within Area One of Holbeach Tree Preservation Order No 10 1986 and are also within Holbeach Conservation Area.

Please see the location plan which accompanies the Application.

'1 Oak - selective prune to clear car parking spaces by 2.5m.

3 mixed group - crown lift to 4m over road and remove dead stems.

4 group of 3 oaks - target prune lower limbs over road back to kerb edge to give 3m clearance over road.

5 yew - sever and strip ivy from ground level to height of 1m.

8 2 x London plane - target prune to maintain a 1m clearance from light.

9 London plane - sever and strip ivy, remove hanger.

10 sycamore - remove deadwood and hanger.

11 London plane - reduce end weight on limb growing over sign to ease pressure on union by approx. 3m.

12 row of yew trees - prune to clear roof by 1m.

14 sycamore - remove deadwood.

17 scattered group of trees - remove deadwood over 5cm in diameter.

18 lime - crown lift to 3m.

19 Sequoiadendron giganteum x 2 - sever ivy on smaller tree.

21 group of leylandii - trim to clear path.

23 hornbeam - target prune to clear sign by 1m.

24 group of trees, yew and ash - prune to clear cables by 2m, prune yew back to kerb edge and crown lift ash to ensure 5m clearance above road.

25 scattered group of trees - sever ivy, remove larger hangers and deadwood over 5cm in diameter.

26 yew - prune to give 1m clearance from cables.

27 leylandii - remove group to ground level due to previous failure.

28 3 x ash - crown lift to maintain 2.5m ground clearance.

30 sycamore - remove hanger and deadwood.

31 Acer negundo - remove limbs affecting fence.

33 ash - high pollard tree to reduce risk of failure.

34 cherry x 2 - crown lift to 3m over footpath and maintain 1m clearance from light.

36 willow - pollard at historic pollard points to regenerate new growth and reduce risk of further failure.

37 hornbeam - re-pollard back to previous points.

40 Turkey Oak - remove deadwood over 5cm in diameter.

41 scattered group of trees - crown lift to 2.5m over parking area and prune to clear phone line by 1m .'

DC_FINAL_DECISION - ODB:14

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

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

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

Notes:

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

Please note that the removal of dead wood can be carried out without the need to submit a formal written application for works. All works to British Standard 3998 2010 and due regard taken of any Protected Species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) which may be present. The removal of dead wood is included in the description for completeness.

Major pruning works to yews should be carried out in May, although minor trimming works may be carried out in August or September. Always check if nesting birds are present before works are to be undertaken and, if present, delay until the fledglings have been reared and have flown the nest.

Pruning of sycamores should take place in late summer or early autumn. All pruning works to sycamores should be completed by mid-January to avoid problems of sap bleed.

Other than the removal of dead wood lime trees should preferably be pruned in late July and August or alternatively in the autumn months. Avoid pruning from the end of January onwards, as the bleeding of sap may be a problem.

Conifers such as Leyland cypress should ideally only be heavily pruned (or topped) in July. The optimum time for annual trimming works is between July and August. Works in the late autumn, winter and early spring months should be avoided. Always check if nesting birds are present before works are to be undertaken and, if present, delay until the fledglings have been reared and have flown the nest.

All pruning works to hornbeams should be completed by January to avoid problems of sap bleed.

Pruning works to species of Prunus (cherry/plum), should be carried out after flowering but before mid-July to help prevent infection by the fungus known as silver leaf.

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.

If the Ganoderma sp. has been fully recorded/documented in a retrievable form which grows on the veteran hornbeam T37, maybe as well if the fungal fruiting bodies were disposed of, to reduce the spread of spores to nearby healthy trees. This process to occur on a regular basis.



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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:

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