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

Reference: H09-1115-23 **Date of Decision:** 25th January 2024
Applicant: Holbeach Parish Council
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Location: Park Road Cemetery Park Road Holbeach Spalding
Description: Works to Trees in Holbeach Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works to four groups of trees in Park Road Cemetery. Please see plan accompanying the Notification for the position of the trees.

'Cypress G7 and G8 lifting canopy for safety reasons.
Holly, all trees and bushes G11 and G13 cutting back for general maintenance.'

Extra details provided by Parish in an email dated 6th December 2023.
'General annual maintenance and the trees down the central avenue will need siding up.'

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'. (Where possible, branches to be cut back to existing growth points.)

Notes:

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

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.

Holly should ideally be trimmed in August. (Please note, the major cutting back of a hedge is best spread over two to three years).

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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.

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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