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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

Reference: H11-0390-24 **Date of Decision:** 10th June 2024

Applicant: Mrs L Hillam
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Location: 2 Winfrey Close Long Sutton Spalding

Description: Works to Long Sutton Tree Preservation Order No. 16 1991

Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to two trees in the south western corner of the garden of 2 Winfrey Close. The Close is within Long Sutton Conservation Area, and the majority of the trees are also within Group One of Long Sutton Tree Preservation Order No.16 1991.

Please note that the trees within the garden have consent for further works not yet carried out under H11-0901-23.

Please see the plan which accompanies the Application for the position of the trees. The tree identified as '1' is a silver birch, that as '3' an alder.

Proposed works:

'1. Reduce height by 1/3rd
3. Reduce height by 1/3rd

Works as advised by a tree surgeon.'

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.

Please note that in general it is not recommended good practice to reduce the height of most species of trees, unless: They have been topped before, are dying back, or have structural reasons which specifically require the works for their retention within the space available.

Height reduction works may tend to weaken the overall structure of the tree in the long-term: Reducing the height tends to promote dense vigorous re-growth from around the new cuts, there is also the chance that decay can set into the newly made cuts. The result is that the reduction has to be carried out on a regular basis to prevent the re-growth from growing so heavy that it breaks in strong winds at the point of attachment. To help reduce this situation from the outset, initially, great care must be taken to ensure that each cut is taken back to an existing growth point, to discourage this excessive production of new shoots/re-growth.

This consent must not be taken as setting a precedent for approval of general height reduction. It was granted to enable the long-term retention of the particular trees in question in the limited space available.

Silver birches should be pruned in late summer and autumn as bleeding of sap from pruning works can be a problem at other times of the year.

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