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

Reference: H13-0548-25 **Date of Decision:** 29th July 2025

Applicant: Moulton Parish Council
Bellevue Farm
Elm Lane
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Location: All Saints Church 2 High Street Moulton Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Moulton Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification with regard to a monkey puzzle tree within the Church yard of All Saints Church, Moulton. The tree is located to the north east of the Church, and is situated within Moulton Conservation Area,

In the words of the Applicant:
'As you stand at the front of the church facing it, it is the third tree from the back of the churchyard on the left hand side.'

'Removal of dead Monkey Puzzle tree to the left of the church.The tree is clearly dead with no greenery left on it and is now losing large limbs.'

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 decision unless otherwise agreed with the District Council.

2 The resulting stump of the tree should be ground out to at least 300mm below ground

level, unless otherwise agreed with the District Council, 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 considered that the monkey puzzle possibly died suddenly due to infection by honey fungus, this may or may not be the case. Monkey puzzles are sometimes affected by the disease. If it is known that honey fungus is present in the soil area in the vicinity of the dead tree, it might be prudent to replace with a more resistant species of tree; such as a Ginkgo biloba (maidenhair tree), Catalpa bignonioides (Indian bean tree) or Morus nigra (black mulberry).

It is recommended that the tree is replaced with either a further monkey puzzle tree (Araucaria araucana) of at least 1.0 metres high on planting, or one of the above mentioned species 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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