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

Reference: H14-0081-26 **Date of Decision:** 3rd March 2026

Applicant: Mrs C Milbourn
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Location: 34 Church Street Pinchbeck Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Pinchbeck Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification of proposed works to trees within the grounds of 34 Church Street. Please see the photographs which accompany the Notification for the position of the trees, and indication of extent of works to the frontage lime tree.

'T1 Lime tree
Pollard at points as shown in attached photo (reduce by approximately 5-6 metres in height and 3-4 metres in spread).

T2, T3, &T4 - Prunus ' (hybrid cockspur thorn?) '/ Sorbus species.
Crown reduce by 2 metres in height & 1 metre in spread.'

Suggested additional works by Trees and Nature Conservation Officer, as agreed with Owner on 27th February 2026:

Removal of a low branch from an ash tree, which is dominating and supressing the adjacent Bramley apple tree to the east. The ash is situated in the north western corner of the grounds of 34 Church Street, but on the strip of land between the back of the rear garden fence and a drain. The ash requires the ivy to be severed.

Limited minor thinning (removal of rubbing branch) /reduction works to a Judas tree, to help relieve

pressure at points of attachment of elongated branches; try to achieve a more balanced canopy. Located immediately adjacent and to the south east of the whitebeam. Had previously suffered from some storm damage, which maybe has made the remaining branches look more elongated and unbalanced.
A little dead wood to remove.

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'. (All cuts to be made back to existing growth points.)

Notes:

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

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.

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.

Judas trees may be pruned in late winter or early spring.

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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