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

**Reference:** H14-0262-20 **Date of Decision:** 23rd April 2020

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**Location:** The Old Vicarage 8 Spalding Road Pinchbeck Spalding

**Description:** Works to Trees in Pinchbeck Conservation Area

**Detailed Description:**

Retrospective formal Notification concerning three conifers in the grounds of The Old Vicarage, 8 Spalding Road, Pinchbeck. The trees being situated close to the south western side of the house. Please see the plan accompanying the Notification.

Retrospective notification to fell three conifers likely to be Norway spruce, due to their root bases lifting in the wind.  Authority was given to fell the trees immediately following receipt of a letter from the applicant dated 24th February 2020.

## 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'.

3 The resulting stumps of the trees should be ground out to at least 300mm below ground

level to help reduce the risk of the stumps harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees.

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, as referred to in the applicant's original letter.

It is recommended that the tree(s) are replaced with similar species to the originals, (a species of large growing conifer), ideally one which is resistant to honey fungus. Species suggested include: Douglas fir, European, grand or noble fir, or larch, of at least 1.5 metres high on planting as near as reasonably practicable to the position of the original trees within a period of twelve months; as space permits the allowance of a greater distance from the house may be appropriate, (Please note that cedar, monkey puzzle, cypress, Japanese cedar, spruce, pine, Wellingtonia, western red cedar and western hemlock are susceptible to honey fungus).

Please inform the Local Planning Authority as soon as replanting has taken place and indicate the position of the replacement trees. 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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