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

Reference: H14-0819-23 **Date of Decision:** 25th October 2023

Applicant: Pinchbeck Parish Council
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Location: War Memorial Church Street Pinchbeck Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Pinchbeck Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification of proposed works to trees in the grounds of the War Memorial, Church Street. 'Cedar. Remove dead deodar cedar.

Cedars and oak, eastern end of the footpath. Selective pruning to existing growth points of branches from deodar cedars and young oak which encroach onto the footpath, and view of the War Memorial from the eastern end of the footpath. Basically to give clearance back to the line of the gate posts.

Silver birches and Norway maple. Selectively prune silver birches, sycamore and Norway maple to give clearance from public footpath. (Minimum clearance in height to 8.5 feet may be carried out without formal written Notification, as footpath part of the public Highway).

Elm tree in north eastern corner. Remove any rubbing branches. Selectively reduce from footpath and road to existing growth points. (Minimum clearance in height over the Highway/ carriageway of up to 17 feet, and for 1 foot 8 inches from the outer edge of the carriageway).

Sycamore near south western corner. Remove a horizontal branch from a sycamore near south western corner, which grows through the adjacent tree.

Sycamore, in 'north western' corner remove two branches encroaching on neighbours.

Crown lift all trees (selective pruning to existing growth points of branches) a minimum amount, so that access can be obtained beneath on a ride on lawn mower.

Remove dead wood and rubbing branches.

Cedars. Grind out tree stumps and main roots of all stumps.' (Some old stumps remained from previous tree work, plus that of the cedar to be felled).

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 stump of the cedar tree should be ground out to at least 300 mm below ground level, to help reduce the risk of the stump harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees. Other old stumps to also be removed. (Take care not to damage the roots of adjacent trees in the process.)

Notes:

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

Cedars may be pruned between November and February but pruning in frosty weather MUST
BE AVOIDED. They may also be pruned in summer, but beware of birds nest.

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.

Pruning of sycamores should take place in late summer or early autumn. All pruning works to sycamores should be completed by mid-January to avoid problems of sap bleed.

Please note that the removal of dead wood can be carried out without the need to submit a formal written Notification for works. All works to British Standard 3998 2010 and due regard taken of any Protected Species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) which may be present. The removal of dead wood is included in the description for completeness.

Normally 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 to replace any removed.

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In this instance there is no requirement to replace the dead cedar due to shading from adjacent trees; which would make it hard to establish a young tree of a similar type in the same place. Holly trees often grow successfully where partly shaded, so consideration could be given to planting one in the vicinity of that removed.

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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