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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

Reference: H14-0995-23 **Date of Decision:** 20th December 2023
Applicant: Welland and Deepings IDB
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Location: Cuckoo Bridge To The Old Railway North Drove Spalding Lincolnshire
Description: Works to Pode Hole Tree Preservation Order No.1 1991

Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works on the 'Long row of mixed species trees stretching from Cuckoo Bridge (Alongside North Drove Road) to the Old Railway Line.'
The trees are the subject of Pode Hole Tree Preservation Order No.1 1991.

'Crown raising to a total of 45 trees, mostly limes but some sycamore, horse chestnut, rowan, oak and copper beech. Crown raising will restore machinery access along the bank side. Trees will be balanced by carrying out minimum height clearance over the highway. Epicormic growth will also be removed. Works will be done before February 2024.' (44 trees as one requires removal in line).

In addition, in the words of the Tree surgeon: 'The 12th tree along from the Cuckoo Bridge end is infected with Kretzschmaria deusta and needs felling.
Also the Rowan which is closest to the pumping station is a poor specimen with a lot of die-back throughout the crown, this also requires felling.
I have also added the Oak next to the Rowan to be pruned back drain side to allow access for machinery along the drainside.'

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'.
- 3 The resulting stumps of the trees to be removed should be ground out to at least 300 mm below ground level, unless otherwise agreed with the District Council, to help reduce the risk of the stumps harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees. (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.

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 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.

Avoid pruning horse chestnuts in the spring months directly prior to and immediately after bud opening as bleeding of sap from pruning cuts may be a problem. Ideally prune between leaf fall and February.

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 to replace those removed.

It is recommended that the tree(s) are replaced with a further lime such as a *Tilia cordata* and a rowan (*Sorbus aucuparia*) 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.

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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South Holland District Council

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