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## TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

### WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

**Reference:** H16-0022-22 **Date of Decision:** 8th March 2022

**Applicant:** Spalding Grammar School  
 Priory Road  
 Spalding  
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**Location:** Spalding Grammar School Priory Road Spalding

**Description:** Works to Spalding Tree Preservation Order No 10 1982

#### Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to trees at Spalding Grammar School. Many of the trees are subject of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No 10 1982, whilst all trees within the grounds on the eastern side of Saint Thomas's Road are within Spalding Conservation Area.

Please see the detailed identification plans for the position of the trees which accompany the Application.

- '1 - Beech tree - lightly prune to clear path to 3m.
- 4 - Beech tree - Sever Ivy.
- 5 - Beech tree - prune back from phone wires by 1-2m crown lift to clear car park by 3m, sever ivy.
- 6 - Mixed group - field maple and lime - prune back from phone wires and pole to clear 1-2 m and lightly prune to clear car park to 3m.
- 7- Beech tree - sever ivy and lightly prune to clear car park to 3m.
- 8 - Mixed group - sever ivy, prune back over hanging branches to clear parking to 2-3m cut back from path and sign.
- 9 - Prunus spp. - dead, remove.
- 9a - Prunus spp.- sever ivy and remove deadwood.
- 10 - Oak - prune to clear path by 2-3m.
- 12 - Mixed hedge row trees - prune to maintain height at 2-3m.
- 13 - Beech - remove top of crown which is dead (approx. 4m) and leave crown balanced, reduce southern lateral to highway by approx. 3m, prune to shape crown, remove deadwood.
- 15 - Horse chestnut - prune to clear parking and building by 2-4 m.

- 17- Horse chestnut - prune to clear drive by 3-4 m.
- 19 - ' Beech 'Prune to clear light by approx. 2 m.
- 23 - Mixed group prune to clear footpath by approx. 3m.
- 24 - Lime - prune to clear path by 3 m and remove epicormic growth.
- 25 and 26 - Lime - prune back overhanging branches to clear highway to approx. 5-6m, remove epicormic growth.
- 27a - Norway maple prune back overhanging branches to fence line to clear highways and prune to clear cricket net.
- 28 - Prunus spp. - remove single branch (see photo attached to tree survey report).
- 30 - Horse chestnut - prune to clear building by 2 - 3 m.
- 33 - Prunus spp. - pollard at 5-6 m and remove lower branches and epicormic to clear neighbour and cycle shed.
- 34a - Ash - cut all back to wall line to clear mobile class room.
- 37 - Beech - prune back overhanging branches to clear path by 3m and prune back branches too close to building by 2-3m.
- 39 - Beech prune back overhanging branches to clear building by to 2 - 3m, clear street light and path by approx. 3m.
- 41 - Mixed group - prune to clear street light by 2 m.
- 43 - Lime - clear unmanaged vegetation, sever ivy and remove deadwood.
- 44 - Mixed group - prune to clear vegetation around phone line by 2m.
- 47 - Mixed group - coppicing programme to regenerate new growth.
- 50 - Lime x 27 trees - remove epicormic growth to 2m.
- 51 - Lime row of 16 trees - remove epicormic growth to height of approx. 3-4m and reduce hawthorn in between trees to maintain as hedge row.
- 52 - Lime - Prune back overhanging branches to boundary line or main stem and remove epicormic growth to height of 3-4m.
- 53 - Beech - Prune back overhanging branches to clear building by 3-4m and clear highway by 5-6m.
- 54 + 57- Elder - fell to coppice.
- 58 - Sycamore tree - prune to clear light by 2 m.
- 59 - Sorbus spp. - tree almost dead remove stems to make safe.
- 60 - Mixed trees - cut back encroachment by approx. 2m to clear highway line.
- 64 - Horse chestnut - crown reduce by approx. 30%.
- 65 - Mixed - prune back to clear sign and give more height clearance in the gate area.'

**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 stump of the cherry tree (Prunus spp.) to be removed should be ground out/removed to at least 300mm below ground level to help reduce the risk of the stump harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees.

## Notes:

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

Please read 'Conditions' as 'Recommendations' for those trees which are within the Conservation Area, but are not the subject of a Tree Preservation Order.

Please note that the removal of dead wood can be carried out without the need to submit a formal written application 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). The removal of dead wood is included in the description for completeness. Similarly ivy can be removed.

Pruning works to species of Prunus (cherry/plum) should be carried out after flowering but before mid-July, to reduce the chances of infection by the fungus known as silver leaf.

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.

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.

With regard to the dead cherry tree to be removed, 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 recommended that the dead cherry tree is replaced with a species of cherry 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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**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:

[www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/otherappealcasework/treepreservation](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/otherappealcasework/treepreservation)

Alternatively a form can be obtained by writing to The Environment Team, Room 3/25 Hawk Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN or telephone on 0117 3728192

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:

[environment.appeals@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:environment.appeals@pins.gsi.gov.uk)