

Online Comment

Application H16-0157-26
Location Between Mortimer & Beaulor The Raceground Spalding PE11 3AP
Proposal Erection of Bungalow - outline approval H16-1019-23

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For/Against Comments

The frontage of the site is dominated by two mature apple trees whose trunks are within the curtilage of the property known as Mortimer, and which canopies encroach into the proposed site.

The trees are mature, such trees can bear fruit even when quite hollow, and add to the visual amenity of the street scene. The presence of these two trees should have been taken into account when plans for an adjacent property were drawn up. they seem to have been completely ignored.

A number of people have made it known how the apple trees add to the visual appeal of this part of The Raceground and have always been particularly admired when in blossom.

Due to the amenity value of these trees, they have recently been made the subject of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No. 89 2026.

The Root Protection Areas of both trees require calculation as in British Standard 5837:2012.

Ideally the proposed development should be re-designed so that AT LEAST the area covered by the Root protection Area of both trees is completely free of any encroachment by the proposed development. The further from the trees the footplate of the development is the better.

Such trees have the potential to enhance a future development, rather than being viewed as a problem to be ignored, or even damaged.

Root Protection Areas will need to be taken into account should it be proposed to construct any pathways or the like within them. 'No dig' methods of construction would be required.

Should development be allowed the trees will need fencing prior to any site clearance as in British Standard 5837:2012.