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## TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

**Reference:** H16-0230-20 **Date of Decision:** 27th April 2020

**Applicant:** Mrs D Lishman  
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**Location:** 1 Beechfield Gardens Spalding

**Description:** Works to Spalding Tree Preservation Order No 016/01/1962

### Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to a mature Monterey cypress which is situated in the front garden of 1 Beechfield Gardens. The tree is within Area One of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No.1 1962. In the words of the Applicant:

' "Monterey Cypress"- I had 2 Cypress trees in My front garden close to the road. On Sunday 23rd Feb. the largest tree came down, blocking the road etc. The tree surgeon came to clear the tree from the road. It took 2 days. He is concerned about the remaining cypress it is a health and safety hazard being a very tall " Monterey Cypress" tree, and could cause considerable damage to the house and passing cars. He recommends reducing the height by half. Diane Fairchild Fenton' (Trees and Nature Conservation Officer) 'has visited the site and agreed with Marcus Goose (the surgeon) she suggests reducing the tree by 40-50 per cent.'

**South Holland District Council hereby give notice that this application 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'.

Notes:

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

Conifers such as species of cypress should ideally only be heavily pruned (or topped) in July. The optimum time for annual trimming works is between July and August. Works in the late autumn, winter and early spring months should be avoided.

Sometimes it is not possible to prune at the ideal time of the year due to the presence of nesting birds; the tiny goldcrest can sometimes be found nesting in cypress trees.

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.

(With regard to the resulting stump of the neighbouring tree which blew down in February; it should ideally be ground out/removed to at least 300mm below ground to help reduce the risk of the stump harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees; if this can be done without damage to the roots of the remaining tree.

It is recommended that a replacement tree is planted of at least 1.5 metres high on planting, as close as practicable to the position of the original, within twelve months. The tree could be the same species or an alternative one which will grow into a significant tree when mature. A discussion with regard to a potential replacement may be had with the Trees and Nature Conservation Officer on 01775 764483.)



**Phil Norman**  
**Planning and Building Control Manager**  
**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:

[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)