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

**Reference:** H16-0367-26 **Date of Decision:** 28th May 2026

**Applicant:** Ms R Merrikin
Wallis House
Holland Road
Spalding
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**Location:** Wallis House Holland Road Spalding

**Description:** Works to Spalding TPO No 80 2013

**Detailed Description:**

Application to prune the sycamore to the rear of Wallis House, Holland Road. The tree is the subject of Spalding TPO No 80 2013 and is identified as T2.

In the words of the Applicant:

'The sycamore tree in the back garden of my property is getting extremely high,' (With a main trunk of) '4-5 metres tall and has a split stem.

The tree surgeon I propose to use for the works, is suggesting a 20% reduction and crown thin to keep the tree small, due to the split stem.*

As far as I am aware, the tree has not had a trim of any kind in over ten years.'

* After discussion with the tree surgeon by telephone on 27/05/26 the above has been interpreted as: A 20% reduction of the crown overall which includes thinning of the crown. this was confirmed by the Applicant 28/05/26.

## 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'.

Notes:

The necessary consent of all other interested parties should be obtained before the works proceed. It is worth observing that the tree is situated immediately adjacent to a car parking area.

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.

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:

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