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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
TREE WORKS IN A CONSERVATION AREA

Reference: H16-0396-24 **Date of Decision:** 13th May 2024

Applicant: S Pennington
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Location: 4 Victoria Mews Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Spalding Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works on a silver birch tree located in the front garden of 4 Victoria Mews, Spalding.

Please see the plans accompanying the Notification for the position of the tree.

The Owner's Daughter explains:
'25+ year old Silver Birch tree located in my Father's front garden in the enclosed walled garden area. It was pruned approx 10-15 years ago and now needs selective reduction to where it was pruned before as it has grown too big and is in conflict with a neighbour's (No2) guttering, roofing and satellite dish. It overhangs another neighbour's garden as well at No3.
On 30 April 2024 Mr Darren Rush, a local reputable tree surgeon was employed by my Father to prune the tree. A neighbour (who lives at No3 where the tree overhangs her garden) asked for the work to be halted due to it being located in a conservation area. Ironically, it was this neighbour at No3 who requested a couple of years ago that the tree be pruned!
I am, therefore, applying for consent to have the pruning completed (it was halted half way through apparently) at your earliest convenience so that I can instruct Mr Rush to finish the job.'

South Holland District Council has considered the proposal and has no objections, subject to any recommendation set out below;

1 That the proposed work is carried out within two years of the date of this letter of 'No Objection'.

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.

Silver birches should be pruned in late summer and autumn as bleeding of sap from pruning works can be a problem at other times of the year. It was noted on the 7th May 2024 rather uncharacteristically, that there was no evidence of bleeding sap from the branches which had already been severed.

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. This includes the plentiful wood pigeon.

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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