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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
WORKS TO A PRESERVED TREE

Reference: H16-0417-26 **Date of Decision:** 17th June 2026

Applicant: English Oak Tree Services Ltd
108 St Thomas Road
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Location: 108 St Thomas Road Spalding

Description: Works to Spalding Tree Preservation Order No 10 1982

Detailed Description:

Application to carry out works to lime trees on the frontage of 108 St Thomas Road. The trees are located within Group Five of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No 10 1982.

Please see the clear plan accompanying the application for the position of the trees.

In the words of the Applicant:

'T1 - 1 x 18.5m Tilia x europaea (Common Lime).

Re-pollard to the previous pollard points by removing approximately 2.5m - 3.5m of leaf bearing canopy. Any deadwood will be removed during the pollarding process.

The aim of the requested remedial works is to keep the trees up to date with their previous pruning history of cyclical, remedial, re-pollarding works that have routinely taken place every 4-5 years according to the residents. The previous tree works were carried out approximately 5 years ago so that is why we are arranging the new works now.

These works will be carried out in accordance with BSI:3998:2010 tree work recommendations and best pruning practices.

T2 - 1 x 19m Tilia x europaea (Common Lime).

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T3 - 1 x 19m Tilia x europaea (Common Lime).

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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:

Please note that 'pollard' in this case refers to the previous cuts made in the upper crown which have now produced new shoots of 2.5-3.5 metres in length which require removal, to prevent them blowing out in strong winds and to maintain the trees at a manageable size.

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

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.

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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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:

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