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

Reference: H16-0451-20 **Date of Decision:** 22nd July 2020

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Location: 46 Pinchbeck Road Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Spalding Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works to trees in the garden of 46 Pinchbeck Road. Please see the sketch plan accompanying the Notification for the position of the trees.

In the words of the applicant:

'Silver birch (T1) fell because of excessive size for position, leaving more light for fruit trees. Replant with one eating apple tree in approximately the same position.

Hawthorn (T2) fell because of overcrowding of hawthorn and other trees along the eastern boundary.'

'Prunus (T3). This tree is showing signs of being old and in decline. Recent storms caused 2 boughs to split down the V junction where they divided and necessitated their emergency removal before they fell completely. The remaining tree looks weak at similar junctions and the boughs are very long and thin.' Either: 'Suggest that reducing the lengths of the remaining boughs by 50% the tree may be bought back into a shape such that there is less pressure on the weak v junctions.' Or: Following discussions with the Trees and Nature Conservation Officer on 20th July 2020: 'Would like to put in a request to remove it completely. Some of the tree remaining after the spring storm damage touches the oak tree which will benefit from more light. Removing the weight from the remaining tree to make safer would result in a tree with a few thick boughs and poor shape.'

'Remove double trunk tree' (likely to be a species of Salix or Prunus) '(T4) and replace with an

apple tree (an eating variety) in approximately the same position to complement existing fruit trees and encourage more self sufficiency in fruit growing.'

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'.
- 3 The resulting stumps of the trees should be ground out/ removed to at least 300mm below ground level, to help reduce the risk of the stumps harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees.

Notes:

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

Should it be decided to retain the Prunus rather than fell it, pruning works to species of Prunus (cherry/plum) should be carried out after flowering but before mid-July, to help avoid the tree becoming infected by the fungal disease known as silver leaf.

In this instance the planting of replacement trees is encouraged, but is not a requirement.

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.

The Prunus appears to have at least one cavity which will require checking out before works commence.



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