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

**Reference:** H16-0811-17 **Date of Decision:** 4th October 2017  
**Applicant:** Lincolnshire County Council  
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**Location:** Chappell Centre Pinchbeck Road Spalding Lincs  
**Description:** Works to Spalding TPO No. 9 1978

### Detailed Description:

Trees in the grounds of the Chappell Centre, Pinchbeck Road, Spalding.  
Some of the trees are subject to Spalding Tree Preservation Order No.9 1978.  
Please refer to the plan which accompanies the application for identification of trees.

Tree No.5 - Group of trees and shrubs (including self -set ash) along the drive-side, in moderate condition, overhanging branches to drive,

Crown-lift/prune back overhanging branches to clear drive to 4-5 metres.

Tree No. 6 - (Identified as T25 of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No. 9 1978) Acer pseudoplatanus sycamore.

A tree now in poor condition; increasing rate of crown decline with deadwood, some branch cavities, small decay pockets at base and in old pruning wounds on the stem, overhanging branches to neighbour - tree stressed due to damage to roots from roadway construction, tree measured at 20m high and 90cm dbh.

Pollard at approx. 6m - just above side branch growing out to north side - to retain as a safe stem, and plant re-placement tree for TPO (winter 17/18).

Tree No.7 - a group of trees on the island in moderate condition. Birch tree has a low branch over drive.

Remove lowest branch at main stem.

Tree No. 8 - (Identified as T24 of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No.9 1978) Tilia sp. Lime tree in moderate condition, has been 'topped' in past, minor deadwood, poor epicormic growth cutting, overhanging branches to drive.

Remove epicormic growth back to stem/base and crown lift/prune back overhanging branches to clear drive to 4-5 metres.

Tree No. 9. A group of trees around the drive and reception area of the building, in moderate condition, some lower branches may be reducing lighting of footpaths (light on west? side of island).

Prune back any low branches near the lights that the centre manager identifies as an issue to lighting.

Tree No.13. Mixed Group of three trees in moderate condition; twin - stemmed Prunus sp., twin-stemmed Prunus padus and Sorbus Mitchellii, with overhanging branches to roof and gutters and neighbour, minor deadwood.

Prune overhanging branches back to clear the building by 1-2m.

Tree No.14.Bay. Overgrown shrub with over-hanging branches to building - door and roof.

Prune overhanging branches back to clear the building by 1-2m.

Tree No.16.( Possibly a replacement for T20 of Spalding Tree Preservation Order No. 9 1978) Prunus sp. Tree growing close to building, in moderate condition. Overhanging branches to roof and gutter.

Prune overhanging branches to clear the building by 1m.

**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.

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.

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.

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

Should the sycamore Tree No. 6 have been removed completely the duty of the landowner would be to plant another tree, of an appropriate size and species, at the same place and as soon as reasonably possible. In this case the applicant wishes to retain a pollarded stump and re-plant an appropriate tree nearby to eventually form a replacement tree.

It is recommended that the tree is replaced with a further sycamore of at least 1.5 metres high on planting as near as reasonably practicable to the position of the original tree within a period of twelve months.

Modifications to the details may be agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

Please inform the Local Planning Authority as soon as replanting has taken place and indicate the position of the replacement tree.

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 at their Lincoln office on 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 at their Lincoln office on 03000 603900 before works proceed.

(The sycamore Tree No.6 appeared to have a number of cavities which should be thoroughly inspected 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:

[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)