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

Reference: H16-0965-23 **Date of Decision:** 12th December 2023

Applicant: Mr I Shakespeare
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Location: 64 Pinchbeck Road Spalding Lincolnshire

Description: Works to Trees in Spalding Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works to trees in the rear garden 64 Pinchbeck Road.

Please see the sketch plan accompanying the Notification for the position of the trees, and proximity to neighbouring properties.

Two sycamore trees:

'Trees at back of property'.

'Crown raise 15 Feet.

Remove over hang to neighbour, prevent garage damage and reaching 64A.'

Suggested detailed works following discussion between Applicant and Trees and Nature Conservation Officer on 8th December 2023.

Tree 1 sycamore: Selective reduction by 2 metres to existing growth points, of branches growing towards no. 64A. Leave some of the small branch framework, to retain amenity value, and reduce compensatory growth.

Could selectively reduce back lower branches over Applicant's garden to existing growth points rather than complete removal when crown lift. (To prevent tree looking top heavy, and limit options if ever in the future have to reduce the height of the tree.)

Tree 2 sycamore: Selective removal of rubbing branches.

Selective removal of low branches over garage and a few duplicate branches.

Could thin out some of the small duplicate branches in the crown, which tend to become shaded out and die-back.

(Applicant would seem to prefer some denseness to crown, rather than an open one.)

Keep major branch to the east, and selectively reduce weight unless obvious signs it is structurally unsound.
(Complete removal would leave a large wound which is unlikely to ever heal, and allow decay into main trunk.)

Tidy stub ends from previous works to British Standard 3998 2010 cuts.

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.

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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