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

Reference: H16-1084-25 **Date of Decision:** 15th December 2025

Applicant:
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Location: The Quaker Meeting House 53 Westlode Street Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Spalding Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works to the two frontage yew trees facing Double Street within the burial grounds of The Quaker Meeting House.

Please see the photographs accompanying the Notification for the position of the trees.

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Following a discussion between the Trees and Nature Conservation Officer and a representative of The Quaker Meeting House (Secretary Ivo Charity) by telephone on 12th December 2025, it was agreed to add the following to the description:

'Prune back the minimum to suffice clearance requirements from neighbouring properties and Double Street; to leave trees with a pleasing balanced appearance.'

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.

Major pruning works to yews should be carried out in May, although minor trimming works may be carried out in August or September. Always check if nesting birds are present before works are to be undertaken and, if present, delay until the fledglings have been reared and have flown the nest. (If forced to prune outside of the recommended season, avoid pruning in periods of frosty weather.)

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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