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

Reference: H16-1155-25 **Date of Decision:** 17th December 2025

Applicant: Mr C Longstaff
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Location: Westbourne Lodge Cowbit Road Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Spalding Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works to a row of conifer trees, within the grounds of Westbourne Lodge. Please see the sketch plan accompanying the Notification for their position.'

Please note that the trees concerned are just on the border of Spalding Conservation Area.

'Conifers - From sides cut back branches where interfering with neighbouring houses, damaging property.'

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.

Conifers such as Leyland cypress should ideally only be heavily pruned (or topped) in July. The optimum time for annual trimming works is between July and August. Works in the late autumn, winter and early spring months should be avoided. 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.

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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