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

Reference: H16-1247-21 **Date of Decision:** 11th January 2022

Applicant: Spalding Grammar School
Priory Road
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Location: Spalding Grammar School Priory Road/St Thomas Road Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Spalding Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to remove three trees in the grounds of Spalding Grammar School. Please see sketch plan and photographs accompanying the Notification.

'Species of tree - unknown - Reference No.18 - Tree removal as soon as possible due to root damage caused by suppression from larger trees and trimmer damage. To be replaced with a new tree minimum 1.5 metres. (Health and Safety matter' - Trees and Nature Conservation Officer 'aware). The tree is showing signs of decay from the base and we have genuine concerns for the Health & Safety of our students. Proposed replacement to be confirmed.'

'Unknown - 18a - Tree removal due to root damage caused by fencing construction / suppression from larger trees and trimmer damage. To be replaced with a new tree minimum 1.5 metres. (Health and Safety matter' Trees and Nature Conservation Officer 'aware). -The tree is showing signs of decay from the base and within (rotten internally) we have genuine concerns for the Health & Safety of our students. Proposed replacement to be confirmed.'

'Prunus subhirtella - 31- Tree removal and stump grind following impact from delivery driver. To be replaced with a new tree as advised by' Arboricultural Consultant. '(Awaiting approval - 6 weeks notice 11-01-2022).- Two main branches were recently struck by a delivery driver causing significant trauma to the tree confirmed by' Arboricultural Consultants'. - 'Proposed replacement either a Betula pendula Youngii / Sorbus vilmorinii or an Acer griseum.'

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 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.

In this case the duty of the landowner is to plant another tree, of an appropriate size and species, at the same place and as soon as reasonably possible.

It is recommended that the tree(s) are replaced with: Ref No: 18 - silver birch (*Betula pendula*), rowan (*Sorbus aucuparia*) or whitebeam (*Sorbus aria*); Ref No: 18a - either a silver birch (*Betula pendula*) or species of alder such as *Alnus incana* 'Aurea' and Ref No: 31 - winter flowering cherry (*Prunus subhirtella*) or a paperbark maple (*Acer griseum*) of at least 1.5 metres high on planting, as near as reasonably practicable to the position of the original tree(s), (in this instance trees 18 and 18a in the general vicinity as agreed in the e-mail of 17 December 2021 16:28 from the Trees and Nature Conservation Officer) within twelve months.

The fitting of strimmer deflection guards on the newly planted trees may be relevant on this site, to help prevent repeat damage.

Please inform the Local Planning Authority as soon as replanting has taken place and indicate the position of the replacement trees. Section 207 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 empowers this Authority to issue a Notice formally requiring replacement trees to be planted.

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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