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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

TREE WORKS IN A CONSERVATION AREA

Reference: H21-1077-15 **Date of Decision:** 7th December 2015

Applicant: Mr B Wiggins
 Mill Lodge
 Mill Lane
 Tydd St Mary
 Wisbech Cambs
 PE13 5SB

Location: Mill Lodge Mill Lane Tydd St Mary Wisbech Cambs

Description: Works to trees in Tydd St Mary Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Notification to carry out works to trees in the garden of Mill Lodge, Mill Lane, Tydd Saint Mary. All trees are on the road frontage apart from the cypress which is in the rear garden.

Identification numbers refer to the plan enclosed with the notification which can be viewed at the above reference on the South Holland District Council website.

Horse chestnut T1, complete works as agreed on 14.7.2014 under H21-0421-14. those works marked with an asterisk where not completed by 17.11.2015.

- *a) Prune to give up to two metres clearance of front of house up to the top of the gable.
- *b) Prune to give up to one metre clearance of east side of house above gable.
- c) Crown lift and prune from road to give highway clearance, to allow oil tankers and delivery wagons clear access.
- *d) Selective reduction of regrowth towards drive to old cuts, leave some growth to improve appearance.(Option to tidy previous works to required standard).
- e) Remove any dead wood.

Hawthorn T2, Selective reduction by no more than 1.5 metres, to clear house and road.

Oak T3, Remove, is poorly shaped as suppressed by adjacent sycamore.

Sycamore T4, Crown lift to 5.0 metres to give clearance to road and allow more light into the garden.

Cypress T5, Reduce height to 2.5 metres, to allow more light into house/garden.

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 The resulting stump of the oak tree should be removed to at least 300mm below ground level, to help reduce the risk of the stump harbouring decay fungi which could infect nearby trees; providing this can be achieved without damaging the roots of the adjacent sycamore.
- 3 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.

Horse chestnuts should ideally be pruned after leaf fall but before February. Avoid pruning horse chestnuts in the spring months directly prior to and immediately after bud opening as bleeding of sap from pruning cuts may be a problem.

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 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.

It was noted that some of the trees associated with this site were suffering from a heavy burden of ivy. It would benefit the trees if the ivy was reduced by severing a band around the trunks and allowing it to dieback. This should be carried out outside of the bird nesting period which generally extends from February to the end of August.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Jackson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul Jackson
Place Manager
South Holland District Council