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

Reference: H22-1213-22 **Date of Decision:** 14th February 2023

Applicant: Mr D Sweetin
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Location: St Marys Church High Road Weston Spalding

Description: Works to Weston Tree Preservation Order No 4 1995

Detailed Description:

Notification of proposed works to trees in the Church Yard of Saint Marys Church, Weston.

Please see the Tree Health and Safety Report supplied with this Notification of works, for further details, and a plan to show the position of each tree.

Beech - 'T063 - to give 2m clearance of buildings.'

Oak - 'T066 - to crown reduce by 4m above cavity on main trunk.'

Holly - 'T069 - 'Crown dieback 60%' - to fell and poison.'

Oak - 'T077 - to crown reduce 4m above woodpecker hole.'

Yew - T088, Sycamore - T089, Oak -T090, Holly - T091 - to crown lift '(As appropriate 'to 3m over footpath' and to '6m over highway') 'over road and path.'

Holly - 'T953 - to give 2m clearance of buildings.'

Tree of heaven - 'T956 - 'Multiple woodpecker holes indicates internal decay)' to fell and poison.'

South Holland District Council has considered the proposal and has no objections, subject to any recommendation set out below;

- 1 Work is to be carried out in accordance with BSI 3998 : 2010, 'Recommendations for Tree Work'.
- 2 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. Take care not to damage the roots of adjacent trees in the process.

Notes:

The necessary consent of all other interested parties should be obtained before the works proceed.

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.

It is suggested that some nest boxes are fixed in remaining trees to compensate for the removal of the Tree of Heaven containing woodpecker holes. As trees containing woodpecker holes are removed through safety concerns throughout the landscape, there are less and less remaining suitable for such birds as woodpeckers to use to excavate nesting holes.

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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