

WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL – DEVELOPMENT CONTROL
DELEGATED REPORT

APPLICATION No:	S6/2013/1703/TC
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NOTATION:

The site lies within a Conservation Area as designated in the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Crown lift chestnut, ash, laurel and other broadleaf species to a height of 5.5 meters over the public highway.

PLANNING HISTORY:

S6/2012/1202/TC Felling of sycamore tree Granted

TOWN/PARISH COUNCIL COMMENTS:

None received

REPRESENTATIONS

The application was advertised by means of neighbour notification and no representations were received.

DISCUSSION:

The consideration is whether or not the tree(s) merit(s) a Tree Preservation Order. Assessment is therefore required of the amenity value of the tree(s) and whether it/they help to preserve the character or appearance of the conservation area.

The assessment considers the condition of the tree, its retention span, relative public visibility and other factors – such as, but not limited to, whether it is part of a group, has historical importance and, has good form.

This group of trees is an important feature within the neighbourhood. They are located on a back with a retaining wall giving a straight edge to the highway. The works are appropriate for the clearance of the highway to allow unhindered vehicular access.

CONCLUSION:

From the above considerations, it is concluded that the tree(s) are appropriate for a Tree Preservation Order but there is no objection to the proposed works. .

RECOMMENDATION:

No objection.

DRAWING NUMBERS: Tree location plan received and dated 2 August 2013.

Signature of author..... Date...22 August 2013.