

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL – DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT
DELEGATED REPORT

APPLICATION No: 6/2015/1982/TPO

SITE ADDRESS: 18 Fore Street, Hatfield, AL9 5AH

DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT: Removal of One Sycamore tree and Two Elder trees - Conservation Area.

RECOMMENDATION: No objections

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

PLANNING HISTORY: None

TOWN/PARISH COUNCIL COMMENTS: None received

REPRESENTATIONS: None.

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.

The sycamore and two elder trees have limited to no visibility within the surrounding public areas. .

CONCLUSION: From the above considerations, it is concluded that the trees are not appropriate for a Tree Preservation Order.

RECOMMENDATION: No objection.

1. The development/works shall not be started and completed other than in accordance with the approved plans and details:

Tree location photographs received and dated 21 August 2015.

REASON: To ensure that the development is carried out in accordance with the approved plans and details.

Signature of author..... **Date**.....