

Development Management

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Application for tree works: works to trees subject to a tree preservation order (TPO) and/or notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Publication of applications on planning authority websites.

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

1. Trees Location

Number	10
Suffix	
Property name	
Address line 1	Hook Lane
Address line 2	Northaw
Address line 3	
Town/city	Potters Bar
Postcode	EN6 4DA

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is (for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

Easting (x)	527605
Northing (y)	201276

Description	
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2. Applicant Details

Title	Mr
First name	Craig
Surname	Thomas
Company name	PRI Insurance services
Address line 1	2 The Courtyards
Address line 2	Phoenix Square
Address line 3	Severalls Park

2. Applicant Details

Town/city	<input type="text" value="Colchester"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text" value="CO4 9PE"/>

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant? Yes No

Primary number	<input type="text"/>
Secondary number	<input type="text"/>
Fax number	<input type="text"/>
Email address	<input type="text"/>

3. Agent Details

No Agent details were submitted for this application

4. What Are You Applying For?

Based on the type of work proposed and the location and protected status of the trees involved, there are various details and supporting information that will need to be supplied in order for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application.

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order? Yes No

Do you know the Tree Preservation Order reference number(s) Yes No

For works to trees covered by a TPO

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following. If so, your application MUST be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals (see guidance notes for further details).

1. Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall Yes No

2. Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives. Yes No

If Yes, you are required to provide for:

- Subsidence: A report by an engineer or surveyor (to include a description of damage, vegetation, monitoring data, soil, roots and repair proposals) and a report from an arboriculturist to support the tree work proposals.

- Other structural damage (e.g. drains walls and hard surfaces): Written technical evidence from an appropriate expert, including description of damage and possible solutions.

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area? Yes No

Documents and plans (for any tree)

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works' MUST be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order. A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area (see guidance notes).

It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

Are you providing additional information in support of your application (e.g. an additional schedule of work for question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')? Yes No

If Yes, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application

144074 - 2020-09-23 - August 2020 level mons
144074 - 2020-09-23 - Engineering Appraisal Report
144074 - 2020-09-23 - PRI INS TPO Statement of Reasons
144074 - 2020-09-23 - Site Plan
144074 - 2020-09-23 - SIREport pdf
144074 - 2020-09-23 - PRI Arb Report

5. Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out.

You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work.

5. Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the Tree Preservation Order where this is available. You should use the same numbering on your sketch plan (see help for sketch plan requirements).

Please provide the following information:

- Tree species
- The number used on the sketch plan); and
- A description of the proposed works.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order you must also provide:

- Reasons for the work; and where trees are being felled
- Proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

e.g. Oak (T3) - fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with one standard ash in same position.

Statement of Reasons for Tree Preservation Order Application to
fell and treat two Oak (English) 2020 trees (T4 and T5) at: Land opposite 10 Hook Lane, Northaw, Potters Bar, EN6 4DA

- 1.The above tree works are proposed as a remedy to the differential foundation movement at the insured property and to ensure the long-term stability of the building.
- 2.The above tree works are proposed to limit the extent and need for expensive and disruptive engineering repair works at the insured property. In this instance the estimated repair costs are likely to vary between £14,000 and £85,000, depending upon whether the trees can be removed or must remain.
- 3.The above tree works are proposed to limit the duration of any claim period and therefore allow the landowner their right to the peaceful enjoyment of their property.
- 4.It is the case that an alternative to felling such as pruning or significant 'pollarding' of the tree would not provide a reliable or sustainable remedy to the subsidence in this case. We do not consider that any other potential means of mitigation, including root barriers, would be effective or appropriate in the circumstances.
- 5.We are satisfied that the evidence obtained following completion of our Arboricultural Implication Assessment report completed 16/03/2020, clearly links the two Oak (English) 2020 T4 and T5 as the cause of damage to the risk address
- 6.Insurers understanding the requirement to offer replacement planting in the event consent to fell is granted.

6. Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

Yes No

If No, please provide the address of the owner (if known and if different from the tree location):

Name/Company

Title:	<input type="text"/>
First name:	<input type="text"/>
Surname:	<input type="text"/>
Company name:	<input type="text"/>

Address

Number	<input type="text"/>
Suffix	<input type="text"/>
Property name	<input type="text"/>
Address line 1	Land opposite to 10
Address line 2	Hook Lane
Address line 3	Northaw
Town/city	Potters Bar
Postcode	EN6 4DA

Contact Details

Primary number	<input type="text"/>
Secondary number	<input type="text"/>

6. Tree Ownership

Fax number

Email address

7. Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
- (b) an elected member
- (c) related to a member of staff
- (d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

Yes No

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

8. Trees - Declaration

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I/we confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

Date (cannot be pre-application)

23/09/2020