

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - PLANNING, PUBLIC PROTECTION AND GOVERNANCE

DELEGATED APPLICATION

Application No: 6/2020/3250/TC **Location:** St Audreys Car Park

Church Lane Hatfield AL9 5HX

Proposal: T1 Sycamore: fell to ground level Reason: Poorly formed fork at

ground level. Self set tree.

T2 Ash: fell to ground level Reason: Early signs of ash dieback. Poor fork near base. G3 Sycamore: crown lift to 5m. Prune northern tree laterally by 2m over nearby house.

Reason: to improve clearance from nearby property

Officer: Mr Oliver Waring

Recommendation: No Objection

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Context			
Site	St Audreys car park, Churhc Lane, Hatfield		
Relevant planning history	Planning None		

Consultations

Consultations do not apply to Trees within Conservation Area applications in accordance with the Tree Regulation Order and therefore any response **cannot** be considered.

Main Issues

Whether the tree(s) merit a Tree Preservation Order

An assessment is 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.

T1 - Sycamore

The trees condition and suitability is considered to be poor with a remaining useful life expectancy of approximately 10 years. The trees overall size can be classed as medium with clear visibility to the public.

T2 - Ash

The trees condition and suitability is considered to be poor with a remaining useful life expectancy of approximately less than 10 years. The trees overall size can be classed as medium with clear visibility to the public.

G3 - Sycamore

The trees condition and suitability is considered to be fair dangerous with a remaining useful life expectancy of approximately 20-40 years. The trees

overall size can be classed as large with clear visibility to the public. The proposed work is considered appropriate.

Conclusion

From the above considerations, it is concluded that the tree(s) are not appropriate for a Tree Preservation Order.

DRAWING NUMBERS

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

Plan Number	Revision Number	Details	Received Date
		Tree Plan	3 December 2020

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

Determined By:

Mr Gregory Coppenhall 13 January 2021