

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

DELEGATED APPLICATION

Application No: 6/2021/0913/TC
Location: 22 Fordwich Road Welwyn Garden City AL8 6EY
Proposal: 1 x Silver Birch to reduce by 1.5m height & width.
 1 x Silver Birch to remove 2m off dead top section and reduce remainder by 1.5m
Officer: Mr Gregory Coppenhall

Recommendation: No Objection

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Context	
Site description	22 Fordwich Road, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6EY
Relevant planning history	Planning
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	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The condition and suitability of the birch to be reduce by 1.5m is considered to be good with a remaining useful life expectancy of approximately 40-100 years. The trees overall size can be classed as medium with some visibility to the public.</p> <p>The condition and suitability of the birch to be reduce by 2m height and 1.5m in width is considered to be good with a remaining useful life expectancy of approximately 40-100 years. The trees overall size can be classed as medium with some visibility to the public.</p>
Conclusion	
From the above considerations, it is concluded that the trees 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 sketch		Tree sketch	22 March 2021
Location plan		Location plan	22 March 2021

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

Determined By:

Mr Oliver Waring
28 April 2021