

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

DELEGATED APPLICATION

Application No: 6/2018/0935/TPO
Location: 15 Roundwood Drive Welwyn Garden City AL8 7JZ
Proposal: Crown reduction of 1 x Oak tree by 25% - Conservation area
Officer: Mr Oliver Waring

Recommendation: No Objection

6/2018/0935/TPO

Context	
Relevant planning history	<p>Planning</p> <p>Application Number: N6/2006/1611/TP Decision: Granted Decision Date: 23 January 2007 Proposal: REMOVAL OF PINE TREE T1 COVERED BY TPO 366</p> <p>Application Number: 6/2016/1551/TPO Decision: Granted Decision Date: 09 September 2016 Proposal: Reduce three Leylandii trees (T16, T17 & T23) by 30%, Cut lower branches back on Beech tree (T14) and crown lift two Hornbeam trees by (T13 & T19) by up to 2 metres - Conservation Area</p> <p>Application Number: 6/2016/1804/TPO Decision: Granted Decision Date: 09 September 2016 Proposal: Removal of Oak tree - Conservation Area - Dead and Dangerous</p> <p>Application Number: 6/2016/1824/EM Decision: Withdrawn Decision Date: 09 September 2016 Proposal: Removal of oak tree at front of the property that is in a "dangerous" condition.</p> <p>Application Number: 6/2016/1807/EM Decision: Granted Decision Date: 04 November 2016 Proposal: Removal of Oak tree</p>
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 trees condition and suitability is considered to be fair with a remaining useful life expectancy of approximately less than 10 years. The trees overall size can be classed as large with clear visibility to the public.</p> <p>This has been crown reduced in the past and the proposed work is in keeping with the past management of this tree.</p>
Conclusion	
From the above considerations, it is concluded that the tree does not require 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	8 May 2018

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

Determined By:

Mr Chris Carter
15 June 2018