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CASE OFFICER: …Jo Cousins……

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
18/00536/TCA	T2 Field maples x 5 - Fell to ground level.	The Grain Barn Church Lane Reed Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8AP

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

Permission granted for the change of use of the agricultural building to a dwelling under reference 16/00927/1. Works are currently on going.

3.0 **Representations**

None.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

Property in the Reed Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

Removal of five Field Maples. Reason given - To increase access to a drive/turning area/garage, without impacting on roadside vegetation cover.

4.3 **Key Issues**

If the work is considered inappropriate are the trees worthy of the further protection afforded by a TPO.
Assessment – the trees are within a groups that runs along the road side and to the front of the agricultural building currently being converted. The removal of five trees would appear to leave a line of trees to the road frontage. However having looked at the trees they are of some group amenity value but are not such fine specimens as to warrant the making of a specific TPO.

4.4 **Conclusion**
In this instance no objections raised as the trees are not worthy of further protection in my view.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objection.:

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