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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
26/01834/TCA	T1: 3x Sycamore, T2, T3: Ash - Cut back overhanging branches by 2-3m to maintain size.	128 Rushby Mead Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1SF

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

26/00716/TCA - T2: Norway Spruce - Fell to ground level – No objection

3.0 Representations

None received.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site

T1 3x Sycamore, T2 Ash (applicant's plan) are located on the Eastern boundary of the rear garden of the property, while T3 Ash (applicant's plan) is located on the southern boundary. The trees are partly visible to the public realm. The site is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

T1: 3x Sycamore, T2, T3: Ash - Cut back overhanging branches by 2-3m to maintain size.

4.3 Key Issues

The key issue for consideration is the impact that the proposed works would have on the character, appearance and amenity of the Conservation Area.

4.3.1 The trees are partly visible to the public realm.

4.3.2 The five trees are semi mature to mature and grow along the boundaries of the rear garden, forming part of a line of trees that occupy the eastern boundaries of adjacent properties. The canopies extend over the garden and low over the garage block to the rear. The trees appear to have undergone limited previous management and dominate a large area of the rear garden taking considerable light. The proposed works will mitigate this and at the same time should not be detrimental to the health of the trees. The impact of the works on the amenity of the surroundings will be minimal.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 The proposed works would not result in any adverse impact upon the character, appearance and amenity of the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.5 **Alternative Options**

4.5.1 None applicable

4.6 **Pre-Commencement Conditions**

4.6.1 None applicable

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objection.

Signed



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