

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/00284/TCA	Dead Eucalyptus, Laurel - Fell, Process and Remove.	40 Arlesey Road Ickleford Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3UU

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan Photos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

2.1 None relevant.

3.0 Representations

3.1 n/a

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

4.1.1 No 40 is a listed building, located on the east side of Arlesley Road. The site is located in the village of Ickleford. There are several trees with the garden of no 40 and neighbouring gardens.

4.1.2 The site is within a Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

4.2.1 Dead Eucalyptus, Laurel - Fell, Process and Remove.

4.3 Key Issues

4.3.1 The key issues in determining this application are:

- ☐ the amenity value of the tree;
- ☐ the impact of the proposed work on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area;
- ☐ any justification for the proposed work; and
- ☐ whether, taking full account of the above, it would be expedient and in the public interest to make a Tree Preservation Order.

4.3.2 The eucalyptus tree is dead and its removal is required to clear the dead tree away. The laurel tree is a modest sized tree sited close to other trees and the property's boundary with no 38. It is sought to fell the tree to prevent further damage arising from its growth.

4.3.3 The trees are not visible from the street and therefore do not make a significant contribution to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. The proposed works are considered to be necessary and therefore acceptable. There are a number of trees within the vicinity to mitigate the loss of the eucalyptus and the laurel.

4.4 Conclusion

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

4.5 Alternative Options

4.5.1 None applicable

5.0 Recommendation

5.1 No objection.

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