

## DELEGATED FILE NOTE

**CASE OFFICER:** ...Henry Thomas.....

| APPLICATION REFERENCE | BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT                                                                                        | APPLICATION SITE                                                                        |
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| 25/01709/TCA          | T1: Robinia - Fell to ground level.<br>T2: Silver Birch - Crown reduce by up to 3m in height and 1m from lateral growth | Daubentons<br>Manor Farm<br>Church End<br>Barley<br>Royston<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG8 8JW |

### **Submitted Plan Nos**

Location plan Photo

### **1.0 Policies**

#### **2.0 Site History**

2.1 None.

#### **3.0 Representations**

3.1 N/A.

#### **4.0 Planning Considerations**

##### **4.1 Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The site is the rear garden of a Grade II listed barn dwelling, on the north side of Church End within a residential part of Barley. The site is located within the Barley Conservation Area.

##### **4.2 Proposal**

4.2.1 T1: Robinia - Fell to ground level.  
T2: Silver Birch - Crown reduce by up to 3m in height and 1m from lateral growth

##### **4.3 Key Issues**

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

1.0 The trees are located in the rear garden.

2.0 The proposed works to T2 are remedial and would not harm the significance or the health of the trees. The proposed scale of the works would be appropriate in maintaining the trees.

3.0 T1 has grown in close proximity to the dwelling and the boundary wall, damaging the latter. The applicant seeks to remove the tree for this reason. In my view, the tree is not of significant public amenity value due to its location and size to warrant the further protection afforded by a Tree Preservation Order. As such I have no objection to its removal.

#### 4.4 **Conclusion**

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

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| <p>Signed</p>  <p>Naomi Reynard</p> | <p>Development Management<br/>North Hertfordshire District Council<br/>Council Offices<br/>Gernon Road<br/>Letchworth<br/>Herts<br/>SG6 3JF</p> |
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| Determining Officer |  |
| Date: 4 August 2025 |  |