

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...William Thompson.....

**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

24/02894/TCA

T1: Apple - Crown Reduce by 2m. Back to near old pruning points to suitable growth points & remove deadwood.

Land At The Rear Of 15
Church Lane
Kimpton
Hertfordshire
SG4 8RR

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan

1.0 Policies

1.0 **Planning Practice Guidance**

1.1 Tree Preservation Orders and Trees in Conservation Areas 2014

1.2 Hertfordshire County Council Tree and Woodland Strategy 2022–2030

1.3 North Hertfordshire Council Tree Strategy 2017

2.0 **Relevant Site History**

2.1 20/01452/TCA - 2 x Maple - Crown reduce by 20%

No Objection

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 None.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The application site is located on land at the rear of 15 Church Lane, Kimpton and is within the Kimpton Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 T1: Apple - Crown Reduce by 2m. Back to near old pruning points to suitable growth points & remove deadwood.

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 tree is identified on the submitted location plan and is located on land at the rear of 15 Church Lane.

4.3.3 The tree is mature and appears visually healthy and the applicant has not submitted any arboricultural report to dispute this.

4.3.4 The works are remedial and would not affect the character and appearance of the Kimpton Conservation Area.

4.3.5 Due to the above reasons, I do not consider the tree to be of high enough public amenity value to warrant a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 The proposed work to the tree would not cause such harm to the character and appearance of the Kimpton Conservation Area as to overcome the justification for the work.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 **NO OBJECTION** to the proposed work.

Signed  Tom Rea	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
Determining Officer	
Date: 12 February 2025	