

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...Vicki Wood.....

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
26/01418/TCA	T1: Cherry - Remove the lowest limb growing over the drive. T2, T3: Sycamore - Cut back the garden side by up to 2.5m to viable growth.	Greenbury London Road Barley Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8JF

Submitted Plan Nos

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 None

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 N/A

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The site is located on the northern side of London Road and is within the Barley Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 Permission is sought to undertake the following works:

- T1 – Cherry – Remove the lowest limb growing over the drive
- T2 & T3 – Sycamore – Cut back the garden side by up to 2.5 metres to viable growth

4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The key issues in determining this application are the amenity value of the trees; 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 trees are identified on the submitted location plan.

4.3.3 The proposal enables remedial works to be undertaken to the trees, which are considered reasonable and would help secure their longer-term management.

4.3.4 There is no threat to the trees, therefore I do not consider a Tree Preservation Order to be appropriate.

4.4 **Conclusion**

- 4.4.1 The proposed works would not result in the loss of the trees. It is therefore considered that the works would not result in any unacceptable harm to the amenity value of the trees, nor to the character and appearance of the Barley Conservation Area that would outweigh the justification for the works.

5.0 **Recommendation**

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

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