# DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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| APPLICATION REFERENCE | BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT | APPLICATION SITE |
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| 18/00974/TCA | T1 Apple - Fell to ground level. G1 Pear - Reduce height and spread by up to 2m. G2 Mixed - Reduce the overhanging branches back to boundary line. T2 Silver Birch - Reduce the overhanging branches back to boundary line. T3 Conifer - Reduce by approx 8-10ft | 4 Eastholm<br>Letchworth Garden City<br>Hertfordshire<br>SG6 4TN |

**Submitted Plan Nos**
Location plan

**1.0 Policies**

NONE None Relevant

2.0 **Site History**

None

3.0 **Representations**

None

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

Residential property in the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

Removal of one Apple tree and remedial work to one Pear, one Silver Birch and one Conifer and reduction of over hanging branches to various trees to the rear boundary. See description above.

4.3 **Key Issues**

If the work is considered inappropriate are the trees worthy of the further protection afforded by a TPO.
Assessment – the trees are in a rear garden location and thus have limited amenity value. They are not of any significant public amenity value or such a fine specimens as to warrant the making of a specific TPO. Only an apple tree would be removed and I do not consider this to be unacceptable. The remaining remedial works would be acceptable given the trees involved and the extent notified.

4.4 **Conclusion**
In this instance no objections raised as the trees are not worthy of further protection in my view.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objections.

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