

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
24/01726/TCA	T1. Sycamore - Cut back to boundary of property fence line to suitable growth and collar cuts. Approx 1-2m. T2. Ash - Cut back to boundary of property fence line to suitable growth points and correct collar cuts. Remove dead wood over Hodwell Barn. Approx 1-2m. T3. Sycamore - Cut back to boundary of property fence line. To suitable growth points.	17 Hodwell Ashwell Baldock Hertfordshire SG7 5QQ

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan Photos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

- 2.1 24/00463/TCA - T376 Lime - Remove the branches back to the trunk from floor level, up until the height of the neighbouring cottage.
- 2.2 21/02287/TCA - T1 Sycamore - Crown reduce by up to 3m back to good viable growth points. T2 Ash - Reduce the limb with cavity at 13m back to a suitable growth point. Approx 4m to be removed. T3 Sycamore - Crown reduce by up to 3m back to good viable growth points.
- 2.3 07/02397/1TCA - Reduce overhanging branches to Sycamore and Ash trees by approx 15% to 20%

3.0 Representations

- 3.1 **Ashwell Parish Council** – None received.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

- 4.1.1 The site is a detached two storey dwelling on the south side of Hodwell in residential part of Ashwell. The site is located within the Ashwell Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

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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 Ashwell Conservation Area.

1.0 The trees are located to the front of the property and are visible from the public realm.

2.0 The proposed works to the trees seek to prevent harm to the neighbouring properties.

In my view, the proposed works are remedial and would not result in their loss and the proposed scale of works is acceptable in maintaining its health and bringing the trees into a suitable level of amenity.

4.4 **Conclusion**

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

Signed  Ben Glover	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
Determining Officer Date: 13 September 2024	