

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/01351/TPO	T1 to T17: Row of Lime - Prune back to clear the site lines by approx 30% and crown raise approx 3.0m from the ground.	Land At Norton Way Nissan And Honda Norton Way North Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1BL

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan

2.0 **Site History**

2.1 23/01516/TPO - T1 - T17 Lime - Prune by approx 30% and crown raise by approx 3.0m from ground (description amended on 07/08/2023).

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 **Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation** – None received.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The trees are located along Norton Way North in a mixed residential / commercial area of Letchworth Garden City. The trees are covered by Group TPO/95

4.2 **Proposal**

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4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The issues associated with this proposal centre upon the appropriateness of the works given that the tree is protected by a Tree Protection Order.

- The trees are adjacent to the highway and are therefore highly visible from the public realm. The form part of a prominent vista along Norton Way North. As such they are of high amenity value.
- The proposed works 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.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 In this instance, due to the above I find no objection to the works that have been proposed here.

4.5 **Alternative Options**

4.5.1 None.

4.6 **Pre-Commencement Conditions**

4.6.1 None applicable.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 That consent be **GRANTED** subject to the following conditions:

1. The works shall be undertaken only by a competent and suitably qualified arboricultural contractor or tree surgeon as capable of carrying them out to an acceptable standard.

Reason: In order that the works are undertaken by a suitably qualified contractor.

2. The works shall be carried out to conform to British Standard 3998 - Recommendations for Tree Work and in a manner so as to ensure that the natural and aesthetic appearance of the trees are maintained to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In order to ensure that the works are undertaken to an acceptable standard which will not harm the health of the tree(s).

Signed  Melissa Tyler	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
Determining Officer Date: 18 June 2025	