

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...Harriet Sanders.....

**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

25/03031/TCA

Plum, Ash - Fell, Process and Remove

78 West View

Letchworth Garden City

Hertfordshire

SG6 3QL

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

2.1 None.

3.0 Representations

3.1 Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation – no comment.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

4.1.1 No 78 is a semi detached dwelling. The garden wraps around the rear and side of the property.

4.1.2 The site is within a Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

4.2.1 Plum, Ash - Fell, Process and Remove.

4.3 Key Issues

4.3.1 The key issues in determining this application are:

- the amenity value of the tree/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 ash tree is dead and requires removal. Acceptable.

4.4.3 The plum tree small and covered with ivy. It is located in the side/rear garden and is not visible from the street. Its felling would not have a harmful impact on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. The felling of the tree is acceptable.

4.3.4 The proposed works to fell the ash tree are necessary. The loss of the plum tree is modest and the tree is not visible from the street and does not warrant protection via a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 Conclusion

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

4.5 Alternative Options

4.5.1 None applicable.

5.0 Recommendation

5.1 No objection.

1. In addition to this approval, and prior to the felling of the tree(s), you MUST make sure you have obtained the written consent of the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation (where applicable).

Signed  Paul Chaston Determining Officer	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
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