

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/02557/TCA	T445: Beech - Reduce the overall crown height by 8m to remove some of the weight from the crown.	Land Opposite The Flats Barton Road Hexton Hertfordshire SG5 3JR

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan Tree report

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

2.1 None

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 None.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 Beech Tree is located within the Hexton Conservation area.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 Consent is sought for:

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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 Hexton Conservation Area.

- The trees are located along Barton Road.
- A tree report states that there is Kretzschmaria deusta fungal fruiting bodies at base to north and east. Moderate basal decay. Adjacent to highway Action – reduce crown
- Given the condition as stated in submitted report, the proposed works are therefore not considered to harm the visual amenities of the Hexton Conservation Area.

4.4 **Conclusion**

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

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objection.

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