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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
18/01093/TCA	T1 Hornbeam - Fell	184 Rushby Place Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1SH

Submitted Plan Nos
Sketch 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 Hornbeam tree – the applicants agent has stated that it needs to be felled because the homeowner needs to put up a close boarded fence but the tree stem is growing through the fence line. The tree is to close to the house and will affect the pathway as it matures.

4.3 **Key Issues**

If the work is considered inappropriate is the tree worthy of the further protection afforded by a TPO.
Assessment – the tree is in a rear garden location and very close to the property. It is currently of a good size and due to the orientation of the property likely to cause a nuisance as it grows. It is not of such a significant public amenity value or such a fine specimen as to warrant the making of a specific TPO. Given the proximity to the dwelling and its neighbour a TPO would not be appropriate in this instance.

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

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objection.

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