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**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

26/01586/TCA

T1, T2: Lime - Reduce by 30%

4 Norton Way North

Letchworth Garden City

Hertfordshire

SG6 1BY

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

17/01387/1TCA- G1 Holly - fell to ground level– No objection

26/01524/5DN

3.0 **Representations**

None received.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site**

1 and 2 2x Lime (applicant's plan) are located on the South boundary at the front of the property. The trees are partly visible to the public and neighbouring properties. The site is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

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4.3 **Key Issues**

The key issue for consideration is the impact that the proposed works would have on the character, appearance and amenity of the Conservation Area.

4.3.1 The trees are partly visible to the public realm.

4.3.2 The 2x Lime are tall mature trees that can mainly be seen by the public from Common View. The trees appear to have seen little previous management and display some minor dead wood within the crowns. Both trees show multiple large stems arising from a point at mid height, which maybe the result of historic reduction works. A 30% reduction would be a substantial, but may serve to reduce risk of potential limb failure from possible defects associated with past management that are not visible from ground level. The amenity of the trees will be negatively impacted, however Lime are known to produce an abundance of new shoots following pruning and so this is anticipated to be short-term only.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 The proposed works would not result in any unacceptable adverse impact upon the character, appearance and amenity of the Letchworth 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.

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