

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...William Thompson.....

**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

24/02622/TCA

T1: Large Sycamore - Pollard, remove
deadwood and diseased leaves

26 Jackmans Place
Letchworth Garden City
Hertfordshire
SG6 1RH

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan

1.0 Policies

1.0 **Planning Practice Guidance**

1.1 Tree Preservation Orders and Trees in Conservation Areas 2014

1.2 Hertfordshire County Council Tree and Woodland Strategy 2022–2030

1.3 North Hertfordshire Council Tree Strategy 2017

2.0 **Relevant Site History**

2.1 None relevant

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation - None

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The application site is located on Jackmans Place and is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 T1: Large Sycamore - Pollard, remove deadwood and diseased leaves

4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The key issues in determining this application are: the amenity value of the tree; 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 tree is identified on the submitted location plan and is located in the rear garden.

4.3.3 The tree is mature and appears visually healthy, with the exception of deadwood and diseased leaves, and the applicant has not submitted any arboricultural report to dispute this.

4.3.4 When viewing the site from the street scene the tree is barely visible, except from a small footpath; therefore, it contributes little towards the character and appearance of the Letchworth Conservation Area. Additionally, the works are for maintenance and will not affect public amenity.

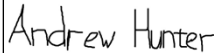
4.3.5 Due to the above reasons, I do not consider the trees to be of high enough public amenity value to warrant a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 The proposed work to the trees would not cause such harm to the character and appearance of the Letchworth Conservation Area as to overcome the justification for the work.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 **NO OBJECTION** to the proposed work.

Signed  Andrew Hunter	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
Determining Officer Date: 16 December 2024	