

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...Melissa Tyler.....

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/02673/TCA	T2: Apple - Crown reduction to previous pruning points. T2: Holly - Reduce in height by 50% and prune all round to shape. T3: Amelanchier - Crown reduction to previous pruning points. T4: Crab Apple - Crown reduction by 30% and reshape. T5: Rowan - Crown reduction and reshape	1 Burge End Lane Pirton Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 3QN

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

2.1 21/00608/TCA T1 Apple - Reduce by 25-30% to suitable growth points and canopy thin. NO OBJECTION

2.2 22/00609/TCA T1 Conifer – Remove NO OBJECTION

2.3 23/01868/TCA T1 Apple - Crown reduction by approx 25-30% to previous pruning points. T2 Holly - Trim and reshape by approx 10-15%. T3 Cherry - Crown reduction and reshape by approx 20%. T4 Rowan - Crown reduction and reshape by approx 20-25%. NO OBJECTION

3.0 Representations

3.1 No consultation required.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

- 4.1.1 No. 1 comprises a detached dwelling to the west of Burge End Lane within a predominantly residential area of Pirton. The tree, the subject of this application is situated within the front garden of the site. The site is set within the Pirton Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

- 4.2.1 Consent is sought to

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T3: Amelanchier - Crown reduction to previous pruning points.

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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 Pirton Conservation Area.
- 4.3.2 The proposed works would not result in the loss of the trees and would be remedial, improving the appearance and longevity of the trees in question. The trees are visible within the locality given its position within the front garden and therefore makes a positive contribution to the amenities of the street scene. The proposed works are not considered to be harmful to the appearance of the tree and would therefore contribute no harm to the character and appearance of the Pirton Conservation Area.

4.4 Conclusion

- 4.4.1 The proposed works would not result in any harm to the character or appearance of the Pirton Conservation Area.

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