

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/02846/TCA	Apple - Up to a 1m reduction	Strathmore 12 Hitchin Road Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3LL

Submitted Plan Nos

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 Multiple TCA applications determined as No Objection.

3.0 Representations

- 3.1 Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation – None received

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

- 4.1.1 The application site is located on Hitchin Road, Letchworth Garden City and is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

4.2.1 Apple - Up to a 1m reduction

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 not visible from the public realm, so holds little amenity value. The proposed works are remedial and would not harm the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

4.3.4 Due to the above reasons, I do not consider there a need to issue a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 The proposed work to the tree 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	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth
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