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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
26/00978/TCA	T1: Willow - Fell to ground level	The Green Man Arch Road Great Wymondley Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 7EU

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

24/01124/TCA No objection

3.0 Representations

None received.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site

T1 Willow (applicant's plan) is located at the SE corner boundary of the site in the grassed area South of the car park and close to the main road. The tree is highly visible to the public realm and to surrounding properties. The site is within the Great Wymondley Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

T1 Willow – Fell to ground level.

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 tree is highly visible to the public realm.

4.3.2 The Willow is a semi-mature tree that is in poor condition showing signs of severe dieback, with saprophytic fungi fruiting bodies present on the outer bark at around 0.5m above ground level. The tree has not yet broken dormancy and may fail to do so. It has lost all amenity value and is now a hazard to patrons and vehicles of the pub and users of the main road. The removal is necessary to remove the risk of structural failure.

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 Great Wymondley 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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