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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/03127/TCA	T2: Purple Cherry - Reduce crown by 30% and overall thinning.	46 Wymondley Road Hitchin Hertfordshire SG4 9PT

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

None relevant.

3.0 **Representations**

None received

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

T2 Purple Cherry (applicant's plan) subject of this application is located in the rear garden on the east boundary of the site very close to the SE corner of the house. The site is within the Hitchin Conservation Area. The tree has limited visibility from the public realm but is partly visible to surrounding properties.

4.2 **Proposal**

Purple Cherry "Prunus cerasifera "Nigra" Tree" which is located to the rear of our property. The crown needs to be reduced by 30% and overall thinning for maintenance and ongoing care.

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 has limited visibility to the public realm.

4.3.2 The Purple Cherry is located very close to the rear corner of the property. A 30% reduction will maintain the tree at a size suitable for its location and prevent any potential direct damage from branches coming into contact with the building.

4.3.3 The proposed works will have little overall impact on the amenity of the surrounding area.

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 Hitchin 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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