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CASE OFFICER: ...Thomas Howe.....

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/02900/TCA	Sweet Chestnut - Crown reduce all round by up to 2m to clear BT wires and building and to leave in a balanced shape.	Hitchin Library Paynes Park Hitchin Hertfordshire SG5 1EW

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

2.1 History relating to tree works.

3.0 Representations

3.1 None.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

4.1.1 The application site comprises Hitchin Library, Hitchin. The site is in the Hitchin Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

4.2.1 Consent is sought for: Sweet Chestnut - Crown reduce all round by up to 2m to clear BT wires and building and to leave in a balanced shape.

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 Hitchin Conservation Area.

1.0 Given the relatively obscured nature of this location, I consider that the works to the tree would not harm the visual amenity of the locality.

2.0 The proposed works are remedial and would not result in its loss. The proposed scale of works is acceptable in maintaining its health and bringing the tree into a suitable level of amenity, away from cables.

4.4 **Conclusion**

The proposed works would not result in any unacceptable adverse impact upon the character and appearance 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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Determining Officer Date: 12 December 2025	

