

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

26/01130/TCA

T1: Cherry - Remove.

Land At 1 To 8

Gentle Court

Baldock

Hertfordshire

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

19/00107/TCA - T000201 Yew - Reduce crown 1-2m, raise crown 2m. Elder – Fell - No objection

19/01727/TCA- T1 Cherry – Pollard - No objection

19/01797/TCA - T6 Sycamore - Crown reduce by approx 4m back to previous points- No objection

24/00375/TCA - T4 Cherry - Fell. T6 Sycamore - Pollard back to previous points

3.0 **Representations**

None received.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site**

T1 Cherry (applicant's plan) is located to the NW corner, on the SW grassed quadrangle of the site. The tree is highly visible to the public realm and the site is within the Baldock Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

T1: Cherry - Remove.

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 Cherry is a mature tree with a clear outward appearance of being dead. It is now at high risk of collapse and should be removed at the earliest convenience. Dead trees are an exception to a 'section 211 notice' but 5 working days prior written notice must be given to the authority before cutting down or carrying out other work on a dead tree. The tree can be removed without further reference to the council.

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 Baldock 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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