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**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

26/00251/TCA

T1: Sycamore - Remove 1 stem leaning
on and damaging the wall .

21 Broughton Hill
Letchworth Garden City
Hertfordshire
SG6 1QB

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Site History**

07/01564/1TCA

3.0 **Representations**

None received.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

T1 Sycamore (applicant's plan) subject of this application is located on the South boundary of the rear garden of the property. The tree is partly visible to the public realm and surrounding properties as it overhangs a car park to the rear. The site is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

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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 not visible to the public realm.

4.3.2 T1 Sycamore is a twin stemmed semi-mature tree, lacking in form, most likely self-set and growing very close to the South boundary wall, with a stem making contact. If the tree is not yet damaging the wall it is likely to in the not too distant future. The removal of the offending stem will have a negative impact on the amenity of the tree, but is necessary to mitigate against damage to the wall and is therefore acceptable.

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 Letchworth 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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