

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
26/00867/TCA	Ash - Fell, Process and Remove	169 Pixmore Way Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 1QT

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

None.

3.0 Representations

None received.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site

Ash (applicant's plan) is located near the middle of the rear garden on the East boundary. The tree is barely visible to the public realm and is visible to surrounding properties. The site is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

Ash - Fell, Process and 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 barely visible to the public realm.

4.3.2 The Ash is a mature tree that breaks into co-dominant stems at approx. 2m. The union at this point appears included and is a potential defect in the trees structural condition. Further subordinate limbs originate above the main union and appear to be of similar poor attachment with some crossing and in substantial contact with one of the main stems, which is potentially a point for cambium death and pathogen ingress. The tree is not highly visible and has significant defects in it's structural form. Its's amenity contribution to the surroundings is regarded as only moderate and for these reasons is not considered suitable for protection by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO).

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.

Signed



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