

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

REFUSAL OF CONSENT FOR TREE WORK

Correspondence Address:

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SG5 2BU

Applicant:

Mr R Mills

PARTICULARS OF DEVELOPMENT

Application: 25/00239/TPO

TPO Reference: 53

Proposal: T1 Walnut - Remove. T2 Purple Beech - Prune

Location: 5 Pirton Close, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG5 2BU

PARTICULARS OF DECISION

In pursuance of its powers under the above-mentioned Act, Regulations and Tree Preservation Order, the North Hertfordshire District Council, HEREBY REFUSE CONSENT to T1 Walnut - Remove. T2 Purple Beech - Prune as specified in the application received by the Council on the 24 January 2025 subject to the following reason/s:

The trees T1 Walnut and T2 Purple Beech are the subject of Tree Preservation Order No TPO/053 and make a positive contribution to the visual amenity of the locality. No adequate justification has been submitted in support of the application for the removal of T1 Walnut. Insufficient information has been given regarding the extent of pruning T2 Purple Beech. Therefore, in the absence of any compelling evidence being produced for the removal of T1 Walnut tree in terms of its health, condition or relationship to the surrounding buildings there is insufficient justification for consent to be granted.

Signed:



Shaun Greaves
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