

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...Harriet Sanders.....

**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

25/00385/TCA

Robina, Silver Birch - Reduction in
height by 20 ft and remove boughs over
hanging neighbours garden. Holly -
Reduction in height by 10 ft. Silver Birch
- Tidy canopy. Row of Lime - Pollard

23 Wymondley Road
Hitchin
Hertfordshire
SG4 9PN

Submitted Plan Nos

Sketch location plan Photos

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

2.1 None relevant.

3.0 Representations

3.1 n/a

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

4.1.1 The site is located on the north side of Wymondley Road, Hitchin. The trees are not particularly visible from the street although there are oblique views of the larger tree across the rear gardens from Chiltern Road.

4.1.2 The site is within a Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

4.2.1 Robina and Silver Birch - Reduction in height by 20 ft and remove boughs over hanging neighbours garden. Holly - Reduction in height by 10 ft. Silver Birch - Tidy canopy. Row of Lime - Pollard

4.3 Key Issues

4.3.1 The key issues in determining this application are:

- ☐ the amenity value of the tree;
- ☐ the impact of the proposed work on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area;
- ☐ any justification for the proposed work; and
- ☐ whether, taking full account of the above, it would be expedient and in the public interest to make a Tree Preservation Order.

4.3.2 The proposed works to the trees are remedial and will improve the health and longevity of the trees.

4.3.3 The proposed works are modest in scale and would not result in the loss of the trees. The trees are not particularly visible from the street. There does not appear to be any immediate threat to the trees and therefore there is no evidence to suggest further protection is needed via a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 Conclusion

4.4.1 The proposed works would not result in any unacceptable adverse impact upon the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

4.5 Alternative Options

4.5.1 None applicable

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objection.

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Determining Officer Date: 31 March 2025	