

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...William Thompson.....

**APPLICATION
REFERENCE**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF
DEVELOPMENT**

APPLICATION SITE

25/02119/TCA

T1090004705: Prunus cerasifera - Fell
and stump grind

Barclays Bank Plc
Station Place
Letchworth Garden City
Hertfordshire
SG6 3RZ

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan

1.0 Policies

1.0 **Planning Practice Guidance**

1.1 Tree Preservation Orders and Trees in Conservation Areas 2014

1.2 Hertfordshire County Council Tree and Woodland Strategy 2022–2030

1.3 North Hertfordshire Council Tree Strategy 2017

2.0 **Relevant Site History**

2.1 22/01502/TCA - Fir - Trim front right side of the second story guttering and roof to prevent damage to the property.

No Objection

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 N/a

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The application site is located on Barclays Bank Plc, Station Place, Letchworth Garden City and is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 T1090004705: Prunus cerasifera - Fell and stump grind.

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 tree is identified on the submitted location plan and is on the perimeter of the site.

4.3.3 The tree is visible from the streetscene, so holds amenity value. The works to fell are justified by its poor condition, nuisance caused by fruit fall and screening of anti-social behaviour. This is supported by an arboricultural report. The tree would not be a worthy enough specimen to warrant a TPO.

4.3.4 Due to the above reasons, I do not consider there is a need to issue a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 **Conclusion**

4.4.1 The proposed work to the trees would not cause such harm to the character and appearance of the Letchworth Conservation Area as to overcome the justification for the work.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 **NO OBJECTION** to the proposed work.

Signed  Paul Chaston Determining Officer Date: 28 August 2025	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF