

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/02862/TCA	Apple - Light clipping back, thinning, removal of dead and crown reduction. Back to previous pruning points. Prunus - Reduce height by approx 2m to 3m and the crown lightly shaped. Hawthorn - Reduce to a height by approx 3m to 4m. Lilac - Prune back clearing the overhang from the property Shrub to be lightly reduced/trimmed to shape to height of approx 3.6m. Prunus - Reduce back incrementally in order to remove strain on the boundary wall. Prunus - Uplift, clearing the branches from the wall. Crown to be reduced by approx 3m or more with the balancing of the upper crown.	47 High Street Barkway Royston Hertfordshire SG8 8EB

Submitted Plan Nos

1.0 **Policies**

2.0 **Site History**

2.1 None relevant.

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 None.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The site is a Grade II listed, terraced dwelling on the east side of the Barkway High Street. The site is located within the Barkway Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

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4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The key issue for consideration is the impact that the proposed works would have on the character and appearance of the Barkway Conservation Area.

- The trees are located in the rear garden with limited to no visibility from the public realm.
- The proposed works are remedial and would not harm the significance or the health of the trees. The proposed scale of the works would be appropriate in maintaining the trees.

4.4 **Conclusion**

The proposed works would not result in any unacceptable adverse impact upon the character and appearance of the Barkway 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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