

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
24/01645/TCA	T1: Apple - Crown reduce height and spread by up to 2m. T2: Apple - Fell	10 Souberie Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3JA

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

- 2.1 05/00374/1TCA - Thin and shape branches to Pear tree; remove one lower branch; remove dead/diseased branches; thin and shape branches to Apple tree; crown branches
- 2.2 16/00218/1TCA - Reduce by approximately 2-3meters 1 Western Cedar (T1) Reduce by 50% 1 Leylandi (T2)
- 2.3 18/02332/TCA - T1, T2 Apple - Reduce by 25%. T3 Laurel - Remove. T4 Leylandii - Remove.

3.0 Representations

- 3.1 **Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation** – None received.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

- 4.1.1 The site is a semi-detached two storey dwelling on the east side of Souberie Avenue in residential part of Letchworth Garden City. The site is located within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 Proposal

4.2.1 T1: Apple - Crown reduce height and spread by up to 2m. T2: Apple – Fell

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 Letchworth Conservation Area.

- 1.0 The trees are located to the front of the property and are visible from the public realm.
- 2.0 The proposed works to T1 are remedial and would not result in its loss. The proposed scale of works is acceptable in maintaining its health and bringing the tree into a suitable level of amenity.
- 3.0 T2 has a large cavity in the trunk. In my view, the tree appears to be in decline and therefore would not be of significant quality or longevity to warrant the further protection of a Tree Preservation Order.

4.4 **Conclusion**

The proposed works would not result in any unacceptable adverse impact upon the character and appearance 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  Tom Rea	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts
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Determining Officer	SG6 3JF
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