

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...Andrew Hunter.....

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
24/01439/TCA	T4 Elm - Fell. T6, T7 Black poplar - Deadwood through crown approx 26mm in diameter. T3 Norway Maple - Reduce failed stem by upto 3m. T15 Holly - Reduce dead stem back to live stem. T21 Plum - Fell. T8 Willow - Reduce regrowth. T12, T13 Plum - Remove Ivy T14 Laburnum - Remove Ivy. T20 8x Various Plum, 6x Hawthorn - Reduce off fence (1m). T23 Apple - Remove Ivy from crown	Pirton School High Street Pirton Hertfordshire SG5 3PS

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan

1.0 Policies

2.0 Site History

See Uniform

3.0 Representations

None.

4.0 Planning Considerations

4.1 Site and Surroundings

The site comprises a school and its playing fields.

4.2 Proposal

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4.3 **Key Issues**

The key issue for consideration is the visual impact the proposal would have on the amenity of the Conservation Area.

The reasons given for the works to the trees are stated above. The majority of works are maintenance and pruning, which will retain those trees and are acceptable.

The T21 Plum to be felled is at the front of the site and visible to the public, however it is small, not of individual significance, and part of a larger group of trees which will minimise its loss, therefore its removal is acceptable. The T4 Elm to be removed is larger but less visible in public views, and is also part of a larger group of trees, therefore its removal is considered acceptable. There are no objections to the proposed works.

I do not consider the proposal harmful to the Conservation Area. Therefore I do not object to the proposed works specified.

5.0 **Recommendation**

5.1 No objections to the tree works proposed.

Signed  Melissa Tyler Determining Officer	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
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