

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

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

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
25/00392/TCA	T1, T2: Pear - Reshape by reducing outlying branches to suitable side node or to parent branch, crown clean. Max. overall reduction 30%. T3: Plum - Reshape by reducing outlying branches to suitable side node or to parent branch, crown clean. Max. overall reduction 30%.	40 Broadwater Avenue Letchworth Garden City Hertfordshire SG6 3HJ

Submitted Plan Nos

Location plan Photo

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 None relevant

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 application site is located the east side of Broadwater Avenue, LGC and is within the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.2 **Proposal**

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4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The key issues in determining this application are: the amenity value of the trees; 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 trees are identified on the submitted location plan in the rear garden.

4.3.3 The trees appear visually healthy and the applicant has not submitted an arboricultural report to dispute this. The trees are partially visible from the street scene so have some amenity value; however, the works are remedial and will not harm the character and appearance of the Letchworth Conservation Area.

4.3.4 Due to the above reasons, I do not consider there 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  Ben Glover	Development Management North Hertfordshire District Council Council Offices Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF
Determining Officer Date: 10 March 2025	