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Application for tree works: works to trees subject to a tree preservation order (TPO) and/or notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Publication of applications on planning authority websites.

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

1. Trees Location

Number	79
Suffix	
Property name	
Address line 1	London Road
Address line 2	Kirton
Address line 3	
Town/city	Boston
Postcode	PE20 1JE

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, describe as clearly as possible where it is (for example, 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road')

Easting (x)	530194
Northing (y)	338085

Description

2. Applicant Details

Title	Mr and Mrs
First name	
Surname	Green
Company name	
Address line 1	79, London Road
Address line 2	Kirton
Address line 3	

2. Applicant Details

Town/city

Boston

Country

Postcode

PE20 1JE

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

3. Agent Details

Title

Mr

First name

James

Surname

Atkinson

Company name

Atkinson Arb

Address line 1

Stonehill Farm Cottage

Address line 2

Mareham Road

Address line 3

Town/city

Horncastle

Country

Postcode

LN9 6PQ

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email

4. What Are You Applying For?

Based on the type of work proposed and the location and protected status of the trees involved, there are various details and supporting information that will need to be supplied in order for the Local Planning Authority to determine the application.

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a Tree Preservation Order?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Do you know the Tree Preservation Order reference number(s)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please enter the title or number for each relevant Tree Preservation Order

Kirton, Sutterton and Algarkrik Tree Preservation Order No.1 (1957)

For works to trees covered by a TPO

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following. If so, your application MUST be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals (see guidance notes for further details).

4. What Are You Applying For?

1. Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, you are required to provide written arboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert.

2. Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives. ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, you are required to provide for:

- Subsidence: A report by an engineer or surveyor (to include a description of damage, vegetation, monitoring data, soil, roots and repair proposals) and a report from an arboriculturist to support the tree work proposals.

- Other structural damage (e.g. drains walls and hard surfaces): Written technical evidence from an appropriate expert, including description of damage and possible solutions.

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Documents and plans (for any tree)

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works' MUST be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order. A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area (see guidance notes).

It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

Are you providing additional information in support of your application (e.g. an additional schedule of work for question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')? ☐ Yes ☒ No

5. Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out.

You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the Tree Preservation Order where this is available. You should use the same numbering on your sketch plan (see help for sketch plan requirements).

Please provide the following information:

- Tree species
- The number used on the sketch plan); and
- A description of the proposed works.

Where trees are protected by a Tree Preservation Order you must also provide:

- Reasons for the work; and where trees are being felled
- Proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

e.g. Oak (T3) - fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with one standard ash in same position.

T1 Sycamore Tree (Acer pseudoplatanus) Approx 18m in height.

>Proposed Work - Re-Pollard to approx 4m in height.

- The tree in question has been visited during the Spring (Apr/2021) and Summer (July/2021) to evaluate the condition, both times the tree has shown signs of stress with upper foliage undersized in comparison to its neighbouring trees of the same species, this is most likely due to significant damage to the base of the tree (Ref1). After investigation this seems to be due to historic damage from either a machine or possible fire. A pollard would leave the home owners the peace of mind that the tree will not fail in the future next to a main road and public footpath shown in (Ref,T1). Pollards have been undertaken across the road on Council areas so it would not be out of character for the neighbourhood. (Ref2)

T2 Chestnut Tree (Castanea) Approx 25m in height.

>Proposed work - Target Pruning above main road and canopy lift.

- After a visual inspection on both previous dates stated, the tree is in general good health however the canopy does extend heavily over the main road and footpath, target pruning the upper Southern canopy (Ref,T2), so I would recommend a reduction of this area by approx 2-3m to help keep a balanced canopy. A canopy raise of approx 2m would help with light into the property and garden. A similar spec was carried out during the previous contractor, so this would be a matter or semi regular maintenance. Removal of crossing and dead branches will be carried out as a precaution.

T3 Sycamore Tree (Acer pseudoplatanus) Approx 25m in height.

>Proposed Work - Reduce canopy and canopy raise.

- This tree has begun to be the dominant tree of the group, particularly effecting the Chestnut tree sitting beside it, which does have a higher amenity value. The previous contractor did reduce the side canopy but did not reduce the height. We propose to reduce the top canopy by approx 3m to help balance the tree into the previous pruning work (Ref.T3). Reducing the height will also help the Chestnut tree establish itself on the Western canopy. A canopy raise of approx 2m would help with light into the property and garden. A similar spec was carried out during the previous contractor, so this would be a matter or semi regular maintenance. Removal of crossing and dead branches will be carried out as a precaution.

T4 Sycamore Tree (Acer pseudoplatanus) Approx 20m in height.

>Proposed work - Target Pruning above main road and canopy lift.

- The tree is in general good health but does have a number of over extended branches, particularly over the main road and path. I recommend target pruning individual branches by approx 2-3m to elevate pressure on lower unions (which is a previous pollard) (Ref.T4) A canopy raise of approx 2m would help with light into the property and garden.

Please refer to Ref 5 to show trees in relation to main road and path.

6. Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

7. Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
- (b) an elected member
- (c) related to a member of staff
- (d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

☐ Yes ☒ No

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

8. Trees - Declaration

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I/we confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them. ☒

Date (cannot be pre-application)

11/08/2021