Development Management Delegated Decision Report

B/21/0321



SUMMARY OF APPLICATION						
Application Reference	B/21/0321					
Application Type	Notification to carry out works on trees					
Proposal	Application for works to Trees subject to a Tree Preservation					
	Order (Boston No.36) to include:					
		Lime (T3) - reduce in height to approximately 9-10 metres,				
		remove dead branches, etc				
Location	115, Lor	115, London Road, Boston PE21 7EZ				
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Applicant	Kiernan					
Agent						
Received Date:	05-Jul-2021		Consultation Expiry Date:			
Valid Date:	05-Jul-2021		Statutory Expiry Date:		16-Aug-2021	
Date of Site Visit:	08-Jul-2021		Extension of Time Dat	te:		
Objections received?	None					
5 day notification record:						
Councillors notified	Date	Response received – date		Ok to continue		
Recommendation	GRANT Consent for the proposed works.					
Report by:	Peter Udy					
Date:	08-Jul-2	08-Jul-2021				

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SITE AND SURROUNDINGS:

The application concerns one Lime tree to the front of the 115 London Road, Boston. It is opposite St George's School where trees are also protected by a TPO. The affected tree is:

• T3 – a lime with an estimated height of 10m.

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL:

The applicant seeks consent to reduce the tree to 9 - 10 m and remove dead branches.

RELEVANT HISTORY:

None.

RELEVANT DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICIES AND DOCUMENTS:



The trees are protected by the Boston Tree Preservation Order No. 36 (2011). The provisions of the Government's Planning Practice Guidance are of relevance. The Guidance states "in considering an application, the Local Planning Authority should assess the impact of the proposal on the amenity of the area and whether the proposal is justified, having regard to the reasons and additional information put forward in support of it. The Authority must be clear about what work it will allow and any associated conditions."

CONSULTATION RESPONSES:

No consultation responses have been received.

THIRD PARTY REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED:

No third party representations have been received.

EVALUATION:

The tree is one of a number in this location. As such it is not particularly dominant in the street scene. Removing the dead branches does not require consent and once these are removed the tree would be slightly lower and more spindly. Therefore, the proposal to reduce the tree to 9 – 10m keeps its proportion. The changes are not significant in the street scene owing to other trees screening it or being about 10m.

CONCLUSION:

The tree is showing signs of decline owing to the dead branches it contains. The proposed surgery will tidy the appearance of the tree up and help it to remain safe.

RECOMMENDATION:

GRANT Consent for these proposed works.

Add normal footnotes