

Application Ref: 13/01521/CTR

Proposal: Section 211 Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in Eye Conservation area

Site: 25 - 27 High Street, Eye, Peterborough, PE6 7UP

Referred by: Director of Growth and Regeneration

Reason: The Applicant is Councillor Dale McKean

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Recommendation: **NO OBJECTIONS** are raised and the works are therefore approved

1 SUMMARY/OUTLINE OF THE MAIN ISSUES

A Section 211 Notice has been submitted by Cllr Dale McKean, a notification to carry out tree work at 25-27 High St, Eye, Peterborough. The notification was registered within the Local Planning Authority (LPA) on 11th October 2013.

The proposed works are :-

Reduce (T1) Cypress by 2m and lateral reduction by 1m, Reduce (T2) Hazel by 2m overall, reduce (T3) Twisted Willow by 2m overall.

The main considerations are:

- **Are the proposals in line with sound Arboricultural practice, reasonable and justified having regard to any representations received?**
- **Are the trees worthy of inclusion into a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) in terms of public visual amenity value, condition and health?**

The Director of Growth & Regeneration recommends that **NO OBJECTIONS** are raised and the works are therefore approved.

2 DESCRIPTION OF SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

The trees are located in the rear garden of the property, the garden is largely screened by surrounding properties.

3 CONSULTATIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

INTERNAL

None

EXTERNAL

Eye Parish Council – No comments received.

NEIGHBOURS

None

COUNCILLORS

None

4 REASONING

Under a section 211 anyone proposing to cut down or carry out work on a tree in a Conservation Area is required to give the Local Planning Authority (LPA) six weeks' prior notice. The purpose of this requirement is to give the LPA an opportunity to consider whether a TPO should be made in respect of the tree.

The works to T2 Hazel and T3 Willow are repeat works for which a Notice was received last year under 12/00191/CTR - no objections were raised by the Council to this application and the works were therefore approved. Neither tree is worthy of inclusion into a TPO due to lack of visual amenity value and the works are arboriculturally sound.

The works to the Cypress was requested by the applicant to allow more light into the garden. Whilst reducing the height of a tree for light is not considered to be sound Arboricultural practice, the Cypress is not worthy of inclusion into a TPO due to lack of visual amenity value.

5 CONCLUSIONS

The proposed works are acceptable.

6 RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Growth & Regeneration recommends that **NO OBJECTIONS** are raised to this Notice and the works are therefore authorised.

Copies to Cllrs D Sanders, D McKean