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For the attention of Mr Paul Adcock

Dear Sirs

Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Tree Preservation Order TPO N 181 (Land at Chestnut Lodge, Main Street, Gunthorpe)

Application for tree work 10/00863/TPO - remedial pruning of 1 No. Horse Chestnut at Chestnut Lodge - 64, Main Street, Gunthorpe NG14 7EU (Ms Jo Stewart)

I refer to your application received on 16 June 2010 requesting permission to carry out the proposed works to various trees protected by the above Order. A site visit took place on 18 June 2010 in the absence of your client.

Comments and Observations

The Horse Chestnut tree is identified T1 within the Order. It is the large tree located on the front of the property forming a prominent feature in the street. I understand from a recent telephone conversation with the property owner that this has recently changed hands.

Inspection notes the low canopy extending over the street, the neighbour's garage/outbuilding and the front garden.

The tree would benefit from some pruning to address a number of matters and at the same time bring the tree back to good husbandry. The file records the last application in 2004, although it is not known if the approved work (which was similar in nature) was implemented at that time.

Your proposals as submitted would seem to be appropriate.

DECISION

The District Council grants consent for the following work:

1. The remedial pruning of 1 No. Horse Chestnut tree identified T1 within the Order to include the following operations:

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- A 'crown lifting' operation to 5.4 metres to provide the statutory highway clearances, primary involving the removal of two more substantial lower branches.
- A 'crown thinning' operation by 20% seeking to remove a proportion of the secondary branches evenly throughout the canopy and so adjust the overall density. This can also extend to the removal of deadwood, although this appears to be quite limited.

Consent is granted subject to the following conditions:

- (a) All works being completed within two years of the date of this letter.

Informative

The following points are important items for your consideration as landowner/client or agent and are provided by the Council for information only. This is your responsibility.

1. Your attention is also drawn to the attached notes on wildlife issues. See attached notes.
2. All works being carried out in accordance with the current British Standard BS 3998:1989 - Tree Work.

This documents sets out the methods by which tree work is carried out using common terminology within the industry.

3. As the client (or instructing agent) you should satisfy yourselves that:
 - The Insurance details of your contactor and the suitability of cover for the tree work operations and location involved of the contractor involved. Do consider levels which include Employer/Employee, Public Liability and third party cover.
 - Do ensure that insurance cover is in place for the duration of the work.
 - Ensure that a 'risk assessment' and 'method statement' documentation has been prepared. This should be specific to the proposed work and location involved taking account of Le. buildings, roads, pavements/path, overhead cables and other constraints.
 - Health and Safety regulations and be aware of the current good practice for the work involved Le. wearing of appropriate Personal Protective clothing, securing the work area and signage to warn passersby.

Please show this letter to your contractor so that they are fully aware of the conditions and other legislation which may constrain their activities and the implementation of the work.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



M Catchpole
Trees & Woodlands Officer
Planning Services

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