HINCKLEY & BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Notification of decision in respect of proposed work to tree(s)

REFUSAL OF CONSENT TO CARRY OUT WORK TO TREE(S) PROTECTED BY A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Name and Address of Applicant
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LE9 9QH

Name and Address of Agent (if any)

Part I - Particulars of Application

Date of Application	**Application No.**
10 August 2007	07/00970/TPO

Particulars and location of proposed work :

REMOVAL OF TWO LIME TREES

10 Forest View Botcheston Leicestershire LE9 9QH

Part II

The trees affected by the proposed work are protected by the Botcheston (Polebrook House) Tree Preservation Order 1987.

Part III - Particulars of decision

The Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council hereby refuses consent to the work proposed in the application referred to in Part 1 hereof in accordance with the application form and plans submitted for the following reason(s) :-

1. The loss of these important lime trees would have a significant detrimental impact on the visual amenity of this recent development as the trees form an important part of the landscape structure for the site and contribute to the character and appearance of the wider area.

2. The Local Planning Authority understands that a reason for the applicant wishing to remove the lime trees is because of a possible allergic reaction to pollen. The Local Planning Authority sympathises with the applicants condition but were the Local Planning Authority to allow the removal of the trees for this reason a dangerous precedent would be established where the Local Planning Authority may have to uphold similar requests.

NOTES TO APPLICANT :-

1. Following a site visit by the Local Planning Authority the two lime trees were not found to be in a dead, dying, or dangerous condition as specified as a reason for making the application on the application form.

2. The Local Planning Authority may be prepared to consider more favourably a new application to pollard the tree listed as (1) on the plan by up to 50% and to raise the crown of the tree listed as (2) on the plan by up to 50%. Were this process to be carried out the flowering stems of the trees would be considerably reduced, any re-growth would not reach maturity for some years by which time the process could be repeated, thus reducing the potential of the trees to shed pollen.

Date :- 25 September 2007

PETER F CASH
PROPER OFFICER OF THE COUNCIL

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