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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 (as amended)

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.

Tree Location

Please provide the address of the site where the tree(s) stands (full address if possible)

Number

17

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Kensington Avenue

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Leicestershire

Town/city

Burbage

Postcode

LE10 3JE

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

442713

Northing (y)

291485

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')

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Connor

Surname

Gardner

Company Name

Gardner Tree Services

Address

Address line 1

106 featherston drive

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

Burbage

County

Leicestershire

Country

Postcode

LE10 2PP

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Applicant Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

County

Country

Postcode

Contact Details

Primary number

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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 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](#)).

Condition of the tree(s) - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall

☐ Yes

☒ No

Alleged damage to property - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives.

☐ Yes

☒ No

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 the question 'Identification of Tree(s) and Description of Works')?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application

The proposed works follow a visual assessment of the lower crown of the Horse Chestnut, with particular consideration given to the morphology, loading and apparent structural condition of three extended lower limbs on the SW, W and NW aspects.

All three limbs have developed in a predominantly phototropic growth habit, extending laterally beyond the main natural crown framework. This creates increased lever arms and associated bending moments at their points of attachment.

All three limbs display characteristics consistent with hazard beam formation, including visible longitudinal bark splitting on their undersides. These features are relevant to the assessment of mechanical loading and may indicate areas experiencing elevated growth tension and structural stress.

The west-facing lower limb, which extends over the trampoline, is of particular concern. Visible localised bulging is present on the underside at the point of loading, indicating an area requiring remedial intervention. Its position over the trampoline also increases the potential consequence should significant limb failure occur.

I recommend the following targeted reductions:

- * SW lower limb – approximately 3m
- * W lower limb – approximately 4m
- * NW lower limb – approximately 3m

The greater reduction to the W limb reflects its additional structural characteristics, substantial lateral extension and position over the trampoline.

All reductions will be made to suitable growth points where practicable, reducing limb length, end-weight and mechanical leverage whilst retaining an appropriate proportion of live crown. The works will maintain the natural shape and structural form of the lower canopy without unnecessarily reducing the tree's amenity value.

The proposed works are considered proportionate to the structural concerns identified and represent a targeted arboricultural intervention to reduce mechanical loading and the potential for limb failure, whilst retaining the majority of the existing crown structure.

The works will be undertaken by a suitably qualified arborist using appropriate pruning techniques, with the identified areas subsequently monitored as part of the tree's ongoing management.

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

Specification of Works –

Tree: Horse Chestnut - T1

Proposed works:

- * SW lower limb: Reduce by approximately 3m, pruning back to suitable growth points.
- * W lower limb: Reduce by approximately 4m, pruning back to suitable growth points. Particular attention to be given to the area of visible bulging on the underside of the limb and its position over the trampoline.
- * NW lower limb: Reduce by approximately 3m, pruning back to suitable growth points.

All pruning cuts are to be made at appropriate growth points in accordance with accepted arboricultural practice, retaining suitable secondary growth where practicable.

The reductions are intended to reduce limb length, end-weight and mechanical leverage whilst maintaining the natural shape, balance and structural form of the lower crown.

Additional safety works:

Whilst carrying out the approved works within the crown, any dead, detached, damaged or demonstrably unsafe branches identified during the works will be removed where reasonably practicable. This will be limited to branches that present a clear safety concern and will not involve unnecessary removal of healthy or structurally sound live growth.

All works are to be undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced arborist, using appropriate pruning techniques and taking care to minimise damage to retained limbs, bark and surrounding property.

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 below 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) – Whole crown reduction to 12m above ground level, to provide sufficient clearance to property.

Sketch plan requirements

Your plan needs to show the precise location of the tree(s) in relation to nearby property/roads/boundaries. It should, therefore:

- indicate the main features of the site where the tree(s) stand and its surroundings; in particular, you should:
 - mark and name surrounding roads
 - sketch in buildings, including adjoining properties
 - add house numbers or names
- mark the position of the tree(s) to which you want to carry out work and identify them by the number shown in the Tree Preservation Order where possible; if you use a different number, please make sure that this can be matched with your description of the tree(s)
- if there are many trees on the site, make clear which tree(s) are included in this application by:
 - marking all trees on the plan, but only numbering those to which you want to carry out work
 - showing the approximate distance between the application tree(s) and buildings
 - adding other relevant features on the site (e.g. greenhouse, paths)

If it is impossible to identify the tree(s) accurately on the plan (e.g. because they are part of a woodland or group of trees), please identify their approximate location on the plan and provide details of how the tree(s) are marked on site (e.g. high visibility tape, tree tags, paint, etc); trees must not be marked by scarring or cutting into the bark.

Tree Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If No, please provide the address of the owner (if known and if different from the tree location)

Name/Company

Title

***** REDACTED *****

First name

***** REDACTED *****

Surname

***** REDACTED *****

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Email address

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.

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?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Tree works: Trees in conservation areas/subject to TPOs as described in the questions answered, details provided, 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.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

☒ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Date