

PLANNING CONSULTATION REPLY

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APPLICATION: 8 Norcross Gardens, Darfield, Barnsley, S73 9NY

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Site Appraisal

The site was visited by Edward Jowett and the tree was briefly inspected.

The Sycamore trees are located to the rear of the applicants property and given the open nature to the rear are prominent in the locality. There was an element of confusion over the proposed works given the works description and the photos provided with the trees marked on however, these have been clarified and the new works description is as follows crown lift trees within G3 to 4m, reduce all round to suitable pruning points by up to 1m and remove the limb marked on the photograph.

The works proposed are considered sensible maintenance and will act to remove lower hanging branches from over the garden as well as reducing the overall size slightly to allow more light around the trees. Although not considered ideal the minor reduction works in this instance (including the removal of the obstructing limb as marked) should be able to be accommodated with the assurance that the trees will be pruned back to proper pruning points to avoid the issues usually associated with crown reductions. The works will remove a significant amount of the trees leafing areas however they are still within the bounds of what can be considered acceptable.

The works proposed now are considered acceptable and as such there is no objection from an arboricultural perspective.

Note: Assessments of tree condition and safety are based on a simple visual inspection from ground level. Comments should not be taken as a definitive assessment of tree health, as this should be carried out by a suitably qualified arboriculturalist, possibly including a high level inspection. The applicant should be reminded of the owner's legal responsibilities to ensure that trees are regularly inspected and maintained in a safe condition.

Recommendations

APPROVE:

With conditions

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