

mPLANNING CONSULTATION REPLY

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APPLICATION: 2 Belridge Close, Redbrook, Barnsley, S75 1HZ.

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Site Appraisal

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

The trees which are subject to this application are relatively large, highly prominent specimens located immediately on the road frontage and as such they have high amenity value.

The proposed works are to crown lift 3 Oak trees and 3 Sycamores to between 4 and 5m to provide clearance over the footway. The trees do hang relatively low over the footway and hang close to the road and as such crown lifting to the level proposed makes sense to allow for pedestrians to walk easily under the trees but also to ensure there is no contact with high sided vehicles.

The works proposed are appropriate and in line with current best practice and as such there is no reason to object to the proposal 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: the works as described in the application document.

With the following conditions

Five days notice to LPA and tree surgery to BS standards

Not less than five working days notice of the date of the proposed work shall be given to the Local Planning Authority and the tree surgery shall be carried out to the standards set out in BS3998.

Reason: To ensure the work accords with good arboricultural practice

Informatives

[Time limit for TPO works](#)

The proposed tree works should be completed within 2 years of the date of this consent.

Permission

Before proceeding with the notified works, you should ensure that you have the permission of the owner, and comply with all other relevant legislation, for example it is an offence to disturb nesting birds, and bat roosts.