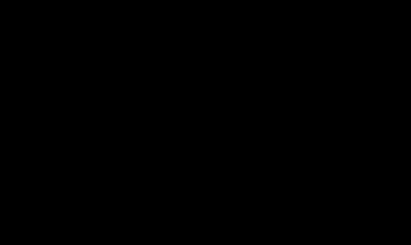


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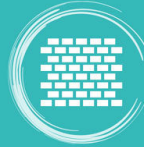
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Subject: Prior Notification of Works to Tree(s) In A Conservation Area - LY/13/26/TC

Reference: **LY/13/26/TC**

Proposal: Fell 2no. elm (T4,T5), 1no. hawthorn (T6), 2no. *Prunus* (T9, T11), 4no. unknown (T10, T23, TG1), 1no. spruce (T13), 1no. sycamore (T12), 3no. western red cedar (T17, T18, T22), 3 no. Leyland cypress (T19, T20, T21), 3no. holly (T24, T25, T26), 1no. lime (T27), 1no. laurel (T31). Removal of dead stem to 1no. sycamore (T12). Removal of broken southerly branch on 1no. Leyland cypress (T30). Cut down/coppice 1no. elder (T7) to height of 1m and 1no. sweet chestnut (T15) to a height of 2m. Crown reduction to 1no. silver birch (T8) to leave 2m clearance from building and crown lift to 4m from ground level. Crown lift to 1no. walnut (T14) to 5m from ground level, reduce lower northern branch back by 2-3m. Crown lift to 2no. lime (T28, T29) to 6m from ground level.

Location: Old Granary, Church Lane, Lyminster, BN17 7QJ

I have considered this application by means of a desktop review, using the information and plans submitted as well as online resources. Previous consideration from site and familiarity with surrounding area provide further insight to the proposal.

I am satisfied the work is justified and will not result in undue harm to the character or appearance of the conservation area.

In view of the strong representations made in objection to the proposal, I share the following information in point form, that I hope will provide clarity around my recommendation and some reassurance.

1. The applicant has employed The Arboricultural Consultancy Ltd. to condition survey all established trees. Their report is comprehensive, of high quality and supported with photographic evidence.
2. When confronted with a sect.211 notice of intent to carry out tree work(s) in a conservation area, the local planning authority can either allow the work as described to be carried out after a period of 6weeks from validation or make a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) in order to prevent or control the work. In this notice, all works are necessary to discharge the owner’s duty of care to others, protect their own property and facilitate more detailed inspection for hazard evaluation purposes. The work is clearly specified and therefore can be checked for compliance at a later date if necessary.
3. Government guidance states a TPO would not be warranted solely for reasons of nature conservation or as response to climate change, although a local authority may take these factors into account when assessing amenity value of trees or woodlands.
4. Of all the trees proposed for clearance, which are relatively small compared to the largest on site, only one is to be treated so as to prevent regrowth. Most are either dead or dying.
5. If a development proposal comes forward, the local authority will consider ecological impact potentially including opportunity for biodiversity net gain.
6. All trees in a conservation area are protected where the main stem at 1.5m height is a minimum 75mm diameter.

Conclusion

I raise **No Objection** and see no reason to make a Tree Preservation Order.

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