

Delegated Report

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Case Officer **Tamsin Dennis**

14/01375/TPO/

Date received 23 July 2014	Date valid 24 July 2014 Stanwick	Overall Expiry 18 September 2014 Stanwick	Ward	Parish
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Applicant **Mr S Toseland**

Agent **Wilby Tree Surgeons Ltd - Miss C Trinder**

Location **3 Hill House Gardens Stanwick Wellingborough Northamptonshire NN9 6QH**

Proposal **T1 - Suppressed Sycamore under Pine - section fell to ground level**
T2 - Sycamore - Section fell to ground level to prevent damage to wall

1.	Summary of Recommendation		
1.1	That consent is GRANTED for the works as set out in section 8 of this report		
2.	Location details		
2.1	Tree Preservation Order Ref:		
	Conservation Area:	None	
	Right of way and public access:	None	
	Views from surrounding viewpoints:	Neither tree can be seen from Hill House Gardens and the view is dominated by the mature Corsican Pine in the rear corner of the garden.	
	Additional location details:	The trees form part of a private domestic garden, with the characteristic planting associated with all the boundary properties at Hill House Gardens. A stone boundary wall lines the northern garden boundary and acts as a retaining wall to the neighbouring garden to the north.	
3.	Relevant Case History		
3.1	None applicable		
4.	Consultations and Representations		
4.1	Raunds Parish Council – No comments received		
5.	Health, form and condition. (noted from visual inspection only)		
5.1	Tree Ref: T1	Species: Sycamore	Age class: SM
	Basal condition:	Good, comprised of two single stems, but both considered to be growing from the same root stock	
	Trunk condition:	Both good, southerly trunk noted to be the more dominant.	
	Bowl & central canopy condition:	Good	
	Outer canopy condition:	Good, leaf cover and size / colour noted to be consistent throughout both crown areas.	
5.2	Tree Ref: T2	Species: Sycamore	Age class: SM
	Basal condition:	Good, growing within 0.5m of stone boundary wall	

	Trunk condition:	Good	
	Bowl & central canopy condition:	Good	
	Outer canopy condition:	Some minor suppression noted from neighbouring vegetation to the east, but not at a level to cause concern.	
6.	Habitat		
6.1	No habitats noted		
7.	Evaluation		
7.1	The works have been proposed for the following reason(s): T1 – To prevent suppression of the crown to the nearby Corsican Pine T2 – To allow the stone boundary wall to be repaired and prevent future damage		
7.2	While the loss of healthy maturing tree stock is not generally favoured, the removal of T1 and T2 is considered to be necessary. T1 is starting to suppress the lower canopy of the nearby Corsican Pine, and without removal this larger more dominant tree will be detrimentally affected.		
7.3	The boundary wall is showing signs of movement, which is likely to be caused by direct root action. Without the removal of T2, this movement is likely to continue. As such, its removal is considered necessary to allow the wall to be appropriately repaired.		
7.4	As neither tree can be seen from surrounding public viewpoints, there will be no impact on public visual amenity.		
7.5	Standard arboricultural condition will be applied.		
8.	Recommendation		
8.1	That consent is granted for proposed works subject to the following conditions:		
9.	Conditions		
1	The tree work hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 2 years from the date of this permission. Reason: Statutory requirement under provision of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Reason: Statutory requirement under provision of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990		
2	The works hereby permitted are to consist of the following: T1 - Suppressed Sycamore under Pine - section fell to ground level T2 - Sycamore - section fell to ground level to prevent damage to wall. At 3 Hill House Gardens, Stanwick and as detailed in the submitted application. Reason: To define the permission and in the interests of good arboricultural practice.		
10.	Informatives		
1.	The applicant is advised that the potential for habitat disturbance (especially protected species of birds and bats) should be investigated before the works are carried out. If bats are encountered during the works, stop immediately and contact either Natural England and / or your local Bat group		
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