

Application: 20220926

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (TREE PRESERVATION ORDER) REGULATIONS 1969
(AS AMENDED)**

NOTIFICATION OF CONSENT FOR WORKS TO TREES SUBJECT OF A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER
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To: **Mr Peter Mahon**
C/O Mr Boyd Saunders, Cantia Arboricultural Services Ltd
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TAKE NOTICE that the **GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL**, the Local Planning Authority in pursuance of its powers under the above mentioned act and regulations and Tree Preservation Order No. 1 1988 (Land at 'Wilderness House' and 'Wild Acre', Forge Lane, Higham) confirmed on 19 May 1988, **HEREBY CONSENTS** to the carrying out of the operations specified in and in accordance with the application submitted to the Council on 24th August 2022 and being:

T01 Deodar Cedar (Cedrus deodara) height reduction from 19m to 15m, reduce eastern spread from 14m to 10m, reduce southern spread from 9m to 6m (roughly to fenceline), reduce west spread from 12m to 8.5m), 3m crown lift for pedestrian clearance;
T02 Sycamore (Acer pseudoplatanus) reduce height from 20m to 15m, reduce lateral Spread on the North from 6.5m to 4m, reduce on the East from 5.3 to 3.7m, reduce the South from 7.5m to 5m & reduce the West from 8.5m to 5m removing up to 3m, lift canopy to give 6.5m ground clearance and strip the tree of Ivy;
T03 Deodar Cedar (Cedrus deodara) lift canopy of tree over public footpath to give 3m clearance;
T04 Oak (Quercus spp) reduce tree back to previous reduction points, reduce height from 16m to 14m, reduce lateral spread from 5.5m to 3.5m;
T06 Yew (Taxus baccata) remove and replace due to irreversible decline;
T07 Yew (Taxus baccata) reduce canopy by removal of out of shape section, reduce height from 12m to 9m, reshape remaining canopy with secateurs to balance, removing up to 2m and strip tree of ivy.

on land situate at:

61 Forge Lane
Higham
Rochester
Kent
ME3 7AH

SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:-

CONDITIONS AND REASONS

1. The works hereby permitted shall be carried out by a competent and experienced tree surgeon.

Reason: In the interests of good forestry practice.

2. A replacement tree must be planted as approved of in writing by the Local Planning Authority, in the next appropriate planting season.

Reason: In order to reinstate and preserve the special amenity and character of the site as a whole in the future.

Dated: 10 October 2022

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Wendy Lane
Assistant Director (Planning)

You should read the notes overleaf

Please note that some works to trees can affect the underlying soil moisture conditions and therefore the stability of any nearby foundations. You are advised to employ the services of a surveyor to ascertain whether your proposed tree works will have a detrimental effect on existing structures.

Notes

1. The Tree Preservation Order makes provision for the payment of compensation in certain circumstances to any person who has suffered loss or damage in consequence of any refusal (including revocation or modification) of consent under the Order or of any grant of any such consent subject to conditions.
2. **Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>. If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.**