

<b>APPLICATION NO</b>	<b>PA/2017/1104</b>
<b>APPLICANT</b>	Mrs Andrea Brocklebank, North Lincolnshire Council
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Application to fell a beech tree known as T2 within and protected by the Barton 1976 Tree Preservation Order
<b>LOCATION</b>	Land at the A15/A1077 interchange, Ferriby Road, Barton upon Humber
<b>PARISH</b>	Barton upon Humber
<b>WARD</b>	Barton
<b>CASE OFFICER</b>	Andrea Brocklebank
<b>SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>Grant consent subject to conditions</b>
<b>REASONS FOR REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE</b>	The Tree Officer cannot determine this application, as they are also responsible for the management of the tree as a Highways asset

## **POLICIES**

**North Lincolnshire Local Plan:** Policy LC12

## **CONSULTATIONS**

**Highways:** As the proposed tree works would require a level of traffic management whilst being carried out, advise an informative regarding the necessary consent being obtained from the highway authority before any works are commenced.

## **TOWN COUNCIL**

No objections.

## **PUBLICITY**

A site notice has been posted. One immediate resident has commented that they do not want the tree to remain as standing dead wood and made into a carved figure, but would wish the tree to be removed close to the ground and a good size replacement tree planted.

## **ASSESSMENT**

This large mature beech tree, known as T2 of the Barton 1976 Tree Preservation Order, is on land which is now part of the highway just off the A15 interchange on the A1077 coming into the settlement of Barton upon Humber.

Having identified amounts of dead wood within the crown overhanging into gardens and over the main road, a more thorough inspection was made of the tree. Fungal presence was located within the main trunk of the tree around where the branch structure breaks from the trunk and this was present on several sides of the tree. There was visual evidence

of these brackets having been present over several years. This fungal presence was identified as Ganoderma. This is known to affect the structure of trees, and has been associated with an increased risk of windthrow and breakage of limbs in trees.

A quantified tree risk assessment (QTRA) was calculated for this tree. This assessment takes into account the number of vehicles/persons that pass under the tree (possible targets), the potential size of the tree that could fail, and the perceived likelihood for failure to occur. Using this assessment it was considered that in this very well used location the potential risk for parts or the whole of the tree to fail and cause damage or injury is too great for the tree to be safely retained in this location.

Due to the significance of this tree as one of a pair at the entrance into Barton upon Humber, it is important that it is replaced to ensure continuing enhanced visual amenity of the area with trees present.

**RECOMMENDATION      Grant consent subject to the following conditions:**

1.  
All work must be carried out to British Standard 3998:2010 Tree Work - Recommendations.

**Reason**

To ensure the work is carried out in a correct manner.

2.  
This consent is valid for a period of two years beginning with the date of this consent.

**Reason**

To ensure approved works are carried out in an appropriately timed and proper manner.

3.  
Within 12 months of the tree being felled, a beech tree (*Fagus sylvatica*) (or other species to be agreed in writing beforehand with the local planning authority) must be planted. This must be in the same or similar location as the felled tree. When planted the circumference of the trunk of the new tree, measured at 150 centimetres above the ground level, must be 12-14 centimetres.

**Reason**

To ensure replacement planting is undertaken in the interests of continued amenity and contribution to the character of the local landscape.

4.  
When planted the tree must be adequately staked, tied, protected and maintained for a period of two years. During that period all losses must be made good.

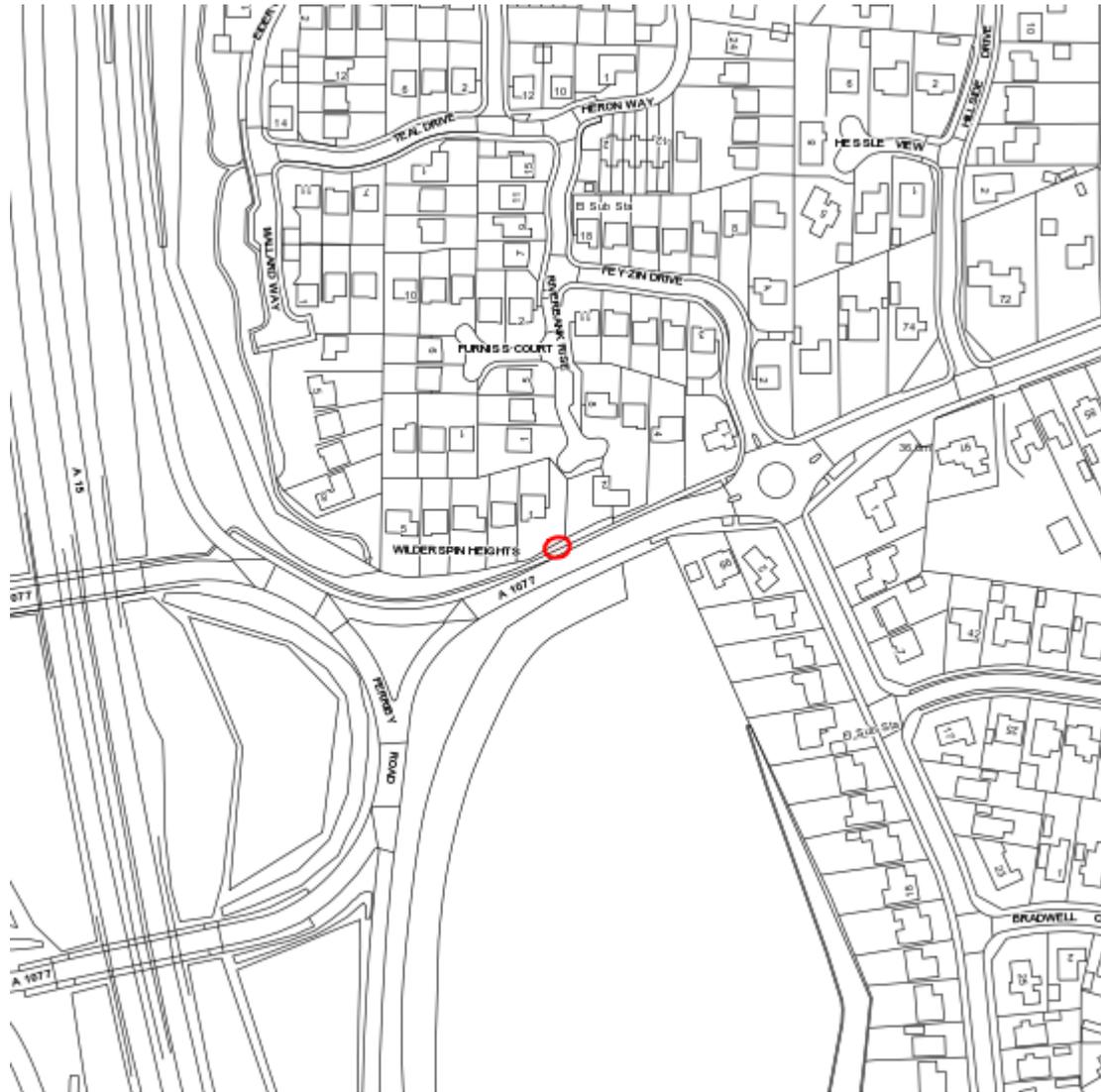
**Reason**

To help the tree become established and to ensure any failure is replaced.

**Informative**

The proposed tree works will require a level of traffic management to be used within highway limits. Before any works are commenced on site you should contact the highway authority on telephone number 01724 297319 to arrange for the necessary consents.

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