

<b>APPLICATION NO</b>	<b>PA/2010/0402</b>
<b>APPLICANT</b>	Mr A McKinlay
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Consent to fell a lime tree protected by Tree Preservation (Crowle) Order 1971, Group 1
<b>LOCATION</b>	18 The Paddocks, Crowle
<b>PARISH</b>	<b>CROWLE</b>
<b>WARD</b>	Axholme North
<b>SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>Refuse consent</b>
<b>REASONS FOR REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE</b>	Applicant request to address the committee

## **POLICIES**

**North Lincolnshire Local Plan:** Policy LC12 requires proposals for all new development, wherever possible to ensure the retention of trees, woodland and hedgerows. Particular regard will be given to the protection of these features within the setting of settlements, the protection of ancient woodlands and historic hedgerows and the amenity value of trees within built up areas. Tree preservation orders will be made where trees which contribute to local amenity or local landscape character are at risk. Landscaping and tree and hedgerow planting schemes will be required to accompany applications for new development where it is appropriate to the development and its setting.

## **CONSULTATIONS**

**Highways:** Does not wish to restrict the grant of permission.

## **TOWN COUNCIL**

Objects to this application as the tree is protected by a tree preservation order which should be adhered to.

## **PUBLICITY**

Neighbouring properties have been notified and a site notice posted. No comments have been received.

## **ASSESSMENT**

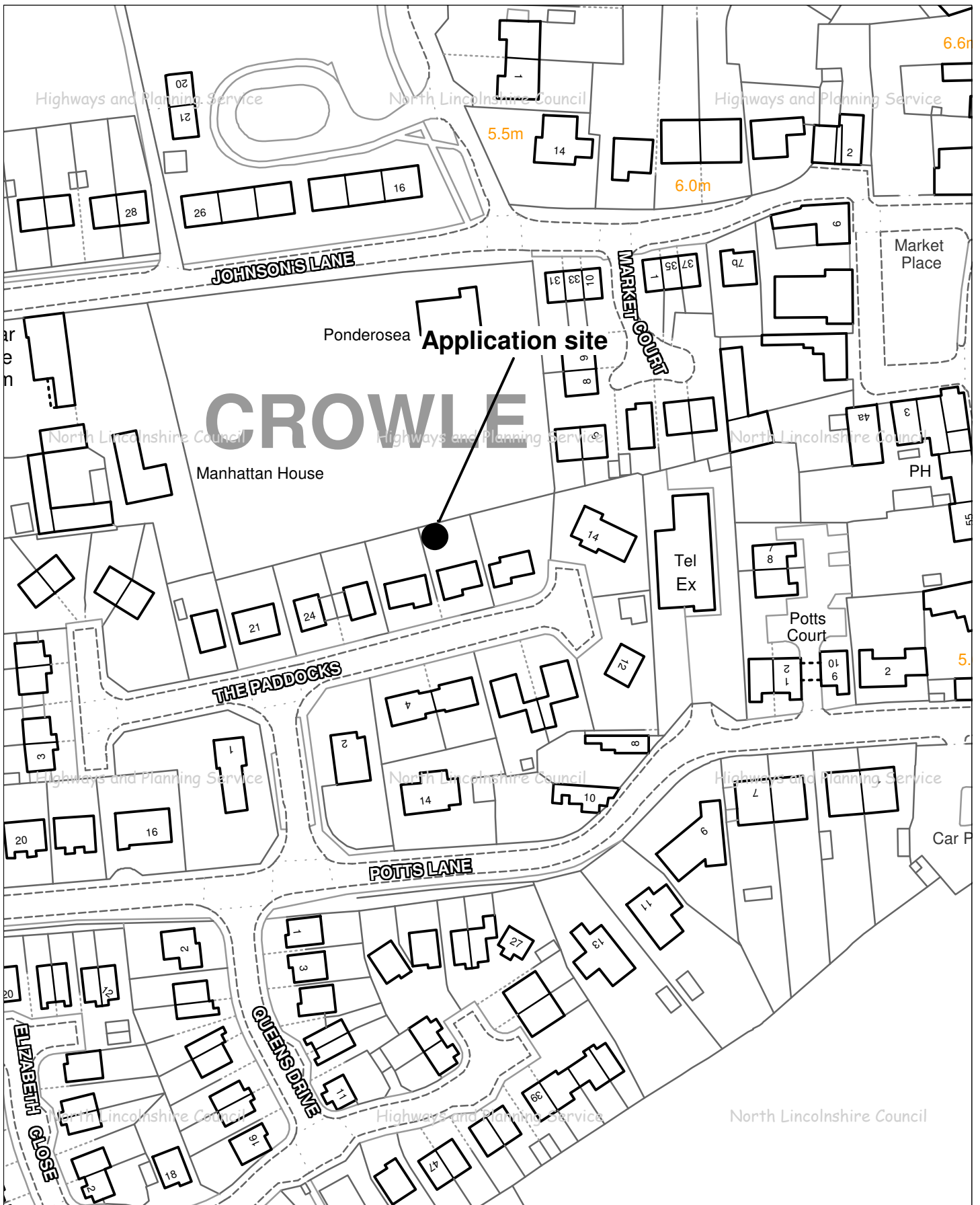
This is a mature lime tree with high visual amenity in the area. The tree appears to be in good condition overall, with only a small amount of deadwood within the crown (less than 5%). Deadwood can be removed without permission at any time.

A professional tree report submitted by the applicant as part of this application gave recommendations to their client to crown reduce the tree to remove any risk of branches

breaking during wind events. Nowhere within the report submitted by the applicant is there any suggestion that the tree is in such a condition that removal of the tree is required. The applicant has chosen not to take account of the professional guidance given within his own report.

**RECOMMENDATION      Refuse consent for the following reasons:**

This tree is neither dead nor dying, nor is it in a dangerous condition, nor has conclusive evidence been provided that the tree is causing damage to the property. In the circumstances it is not considered that there is any justification for the felling of the tree which should be retained in the interest of visual amenity.



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