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18 Wimblington Road
March
Cambridgeshire
PE15 9QN

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Fenland District Council
Fenland Hall
County Road
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Cambridgeshire
PE15 8NQ

Dear Sirs

Re: Proposed Tree Works at 18 Wimblington Road, March PE15 9QN

This letter is to accompany the planning application in respect of proposed tree works at the above address.

We have resided at the property for 17 years, and in that time Highways have twice carried out works to the tree leading us to believe that we were not allowed to deal with it ourselves. Over the years the tree has become very large with branches overhanging the property and the public pathway.

Having approached Highways, asking them to consider downsizing the tree, we have been informed that the tree is on our property and so our responsibility to tend.

We do not want to remove the tree, but several years of no action means it now requires significant work to bring into hand.

Besides the difference these works will make aesthetically, the reasons for our wanting to start maintenance with pollarding are as follows.

- Branches overhanging the bungalow and fear of damage/harm to life should one of these branches come down in a storm.
- Branches overhanging the public pathway and fear of damage/harm to life to the public walking or bicycling along the pathway.
- Falling debris including branches and conkers. Debris falls onto cars parked on the driveway and also onto the public pathway and road.
- Branches interfering with telephone wires.
- Street lighting is all but blocked.

Should these works be agreed, moving forwards we hope to only have to trim every so often to keep shape and condition.

We respectfully await your decision.

Yours faithfully



Mr D A Wilkins