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Subject: FW: 24/00506/TCA - The Minster St Peters Cathedral Minster Yard -

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Subject: RE: 24/00506/TCA - The Minster St Peters Cathedral Minster Yard - Consultation email for Guildhall PP

The London Plane tree is within the adopted highway so the Minster does not have to right to prune the tree without City of York Council consent.

The tree has also had cables strung along its limbs for XMAS lights which I believe were put in by YorkBid without my consent. These cables have further damaged the tree limbs and make tree climbing hazardous. The tree was inspected for safety in January 2024 and it is in good condition with no major visible defects therefore CYC has no current plans to prune the tree.

Around 15 years ago the tree was severely damaged by storms and its centre section was blown out creating the wide open crown shape it has now.

With consent I would allow the tree to be shaped carefully reducing the longest lateral limbs by a small percentage to benefit the trees overall shape. The central section of the canopy must not be reduced as it needs to recover allowing upright limb extension.

The BS3998 work specification would need to be clearly set out showing which parts of the tree would be affected and by how much before an agreement could be made and consent given.

I would not like to see the tree being Pollarded or heavily reduced and the work spec in the application is not descriptive or detailed enough for a consent to be given.

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Software: Tree & Asset Management System

Trees featuring near The Flat Masonic Hall, Duncombe Place, York

Trees Find EzyMaps Analyse Order Exit

The Flat Masonic Hall, Duncombe Place, York @ 1:2500 (Shape Files)

Type/Code	R	Seq No	Tree Tag	Planted	Last Visited	at	by	for	Next Insp	Species	Tree Location	Damage York
Sg/240	1	1	Yes	09/11/2016	09/13/16			Tree Inspection		Banks Peninsula	St Helen's Church	Damage York
Sg/19244	18	1	Yes	01/02/2014	05/21/18			Tree Inspection	15/2012	Acacia Pauciflora	Acacia Pauciflora	Damage York
Sg/21280	86											
Sg/49500	7											
Sg/49504	61											
Sg/33200	0	1										
Sg/38400	1	1										
Sg/38404	2	1										
Sg/38408	3	1										
Sg/27800	1	1										
Sg/27802	4	1										
Sg/33200	0	1										
Sg/33204	1	1										
Sg/33208	2	1										
Sg/33212	3	1										
Sg/33216	4	1										
Sg/33220	5	1										
Sg/29400	1	1										
Sg/40562	14	2										
Sg/40566	15	2										
Sg/40580	16	2										

Tree Inspection Details (S34600)

Type: Style tree
Code: S34600 Tag: T6376

Site: (Preceptors Court, York)
Type: Street Gazer
Locn: Guldhol

Species: (Platanus X Hispanica (London Plane))
OrRef: F60222-452160 No Of Stems: 1

Contract: Sect 1
Dense: Highways

Add Attachments Edit Notes Group Info Mitre Regimes

Status: Last tree visit. Visited: 25/01/2024 at 13:27 by JR for Standard Inspection

Height	Spread	DBH	Age
16.0	10.20	10.20	metres
16.0	12.0	12.0	metres
60	60	60	cm
			years

Site Features: ADURO GIRTH AGZUC
Tree Condition: CFMNN,OC600
Recommendations: None recorded
Tree Works: None recorded
No action required

Value: £50,348

Risk Factor: Risk/Offem

Inspect Amend Delete Prev Next Re-inspect in: 48 months Next tree inspection: 07/2028

Condition Code Exit

Code	Condition Code	Add Info	Default	Protst
OC600	Down: Minor Deadwood < 100mm		Default	No
OC600	Good		Default	No

Map Display Current Options Edit

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