

LEVERINGTON VILLAGE HALL

GOREFIELD ROAD PE13 5AT

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Planning Dept
Fenland District Council
Fenland Hall
County Road
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From: Frank Manley, Chair
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Dear Sirs

Please find enclosed three applications to carry out works to the trees overhanging the car park and building at Leverington Village Hall which is in a conservation area. The trees have been cut back previously about 25 years ago as they bear the scars from the branches that have been removed. The Trustees of the village hall want the tree's branches cut back we are having trouble with branches breaking off, falling into the car park and in the emergency exit area. Also the debris/leaves/petals from the trees fill the gutters on the hall blocking them so the weight of the rain water twists the gutters causing overflows. We have just had all the gutters replaced and they are already full of tree bits again! Additionally, the pigeons roost in the trees and their droppings, the ones that miss the parked cars, are being trodden into the hall through the alarmed entry doors causing a possible health hazard.

We have the permission of all three owners of the trees which are rooted in their gardens. The trees owned by 1 and 2 Chapter Gardens are close to a listed wall.

We are very happy to meet someone from your department to discuss this, we would of course ensure that AC Tree Contractors are there at the same time.

If you send me the reference numbers for the applications I will submit photographs to assist your decision.

The village hall is planning a celebration in June as it is 120 years old and we would like to trim the branches back before then if at all possible.

Regards

Frank Manley

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