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OFFICER REPORT – DELEGATED

Application number: P/17/018/TWA	Expiry date: 13 April 2017
Received on: 28 February 2017	Neighbour expiry date: NONE CONSULTED
UPRN: 000192001018	Consultation expiry date:
Legal agreement:	Site notice posted: 2 March 2017
Departure:	Site notice expiry: 23 March 2017
Complies with Development Plan? Y/N If not, ensure you cover in the report how material considerations outweigh the plan?	
Is this decision contrary to local council recommendation?	

Applicant:	Mrs Lesley Thomas Hanover Housing Association
Site Address:	Hanover Court Old Town Lane Old Town St Mary's Isles Of Scilly TR21 0NG
Proposal:	Removal of two elm trees (trees numbers 17 & 18) to hedge height and pollarding of trees (numbers 11 and 12) and other works as specified in the tree condition survey dated 1st April 2016.
Application Type:	Tree Works Applications

Description of site and development:

This is an application to carry out pruning works to 4 trees located within the ground of Hanover Court. The works including:

- Pruning to hedge height x2 Elm Trees (identified as T17 and T18) and
- Pollarding a Chestnut Tree and a further unidentified Tree (T11 and T12).

The application is supported by a detailed tree report and assessment of all trees at Hanover Court which makes management recommendations as well as including descriptions of all trees at this site.

Public representations:

None

Consultee representations:

None

Constraints and designations:

Appraisal/key issues and conclusion:



Elm Trees are important native deciduous trees that grow well on Scilly, being largely unaffected by Dutch Elm Disease. The two trees in question (T17 and T18) are identified as part of a hedge line of plants which have been allowed to grow to trees. The trees are growing in the boundary adjacent to High Cross Lane and have a lean towards the property of Hanover Court as well as being in close proximity to power lines. They hold some amenity value but are clearly in need of pruning works to ensure their growth does not continue to cause damage to property or overhead cables. Pruning works will also allow the crowns to be reduced and reshaped to create a more attractive part of a domestic hedge.

The two trees to be pollarded (T11 and T12) are located to the rear of the existing buildings and are growing close to Hanover court. These trees therefore only have only limited amenity value within the wider public realm and conservation area. The pruning works proposed are considered to be appropriate.

Subject to the works being in accordance with British Standards for Tree works and carried out within 2 years, then it is recommended that no further protection is required in this case.

Recommendation:

Raise No objections to the works

Signed: 	Dated: 17/03/2017	Signed: 	Dated: 17/03/2017
Planning Officer		Senior Manager	