



TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Application Ref No. 4/1479/95

TPO File No: 5

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Christchurch House
40 Upper George Street
Luton
LU1 2EB

DEVELOPMENT ADDRESS AND DESCRIPTION
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130 Leverstock Green Road, Hemel Hempstead

POLLARDING THREE TREES

Your application for *works to a tree protected by a TPO* dated 13.11.1995 and received on 21.11.1995 has been **REFUSED**, for the reasons set out on the attached sheet.

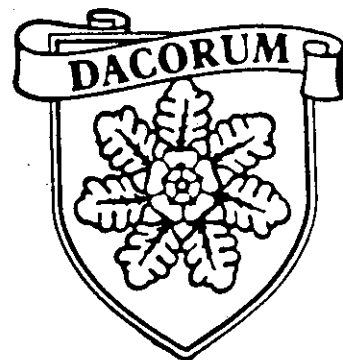
Director of Planning

Date of Decision: 17.01.1996

(ENC Reasons and Notes)

REASONS FOR REFUSAL
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Pollarding of trees will cause severe stress since there would be a massive reduction in photosynthetic material on mature trees not previously pollarded which could result in an early death. This is especially so on species such as Oak, which would respond with much less vigour than species such as Poplar and Lime. Also pollarding trees of mature size should not be an option to alleviate subsidence, since a massive reduction in water demand by the tree would mean greater volumes of water in the soil causing the soil to expand possibly lifting the foundations. Other pruning techniques could be employed to alleviate subsidence with less damaging effects on tree health.