Wiltshire Council

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Application Reference Number: PL/2026/02949

Decision Date: 10/06/2026

Applicant:	Mr Simon Williams Town Hall St Johns Street, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 1BN
Particulars of Development:	T251 Oak - Large limb over school has died. Canopy is heavily weighted towards school playing area. South west facing from ground level to 2.5m there is a large area of peeling bark with decay present in the heartwood. South west facing buttress root heavily decayed. Black staining on south side of main stem. Dismantle Tree to ground level due to close proximity to school playing area. T368 Pine - Over extended limb over road. Heavily end weighted. Reduce limb by 2m to suitable growth points. T347 Tulip - Heavily weighted lateral limbs throughout canopy. Major deadwood within Canopy. Reduce lateral limbs by up to 2m to reduce end weight and remove deadwood throughout canopy due to close proximity to children's play area. T305 Birch - Multiple large dead limbs in canopy. Canopy showing severe signs of dying. Fungal brackets on main stem. Remove to ground level. T391 Alder - Top of tree has snapped off to approximately 10 meters. Major dieback in remaining canopy. Poor form. No value in retention. Remove tree to ground level. T389 Poplar - Tree has had multiple limb failures due to over extended limbs and heavy end weight. Reduce branches growing over footpath by up to 4m to suitable growth points to prevent further limb failure.
At:	VARIOUS LOCATIONS. TOWN HALL, ST JOHNS STREET, DEVIZES, SN10 1BN

1 The work hereby granted consent shall be carried out and completed within 2 years.

REASON: To enable the local planning authority to reassess the acceptability of the work in light of changed circumstances if it has not been completed within this period.

2 The work hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with good practice as set out in British Standard Tree Work - Recommendation for Tree Work", BS 3998: 2010 or arboricultural techniques where it can be demonstrated to be in the interest of good arboricultural practice.

REASON: To prevent inappropriate work being undertaken to protected trees.

3 The Oak tree T251 and Birch T305 authorised by this consent should be replanted with one Oak *Quercus robur* to replace tree T251 and one Birch *Betula pendula to replace* tree T305; supplied and planted as Light Standards; with a girth of 6-8cm and at a height of 2.5-3.0m.

The new tree shall be established by the end of the 2026-2027 planting season. All plant material should comply with the minimum British Standard requirement for tree planting, these being BS3936 (Part 1 & 4), BS4428:1989 Section 7, and BS4043.

The replacement trees shall be sited at or as close to the position of the felled trees as reasonably practicable.

The replacement tree shall be properly maintained for a period of 5 years. If the trees are removed or become damaged or diseased within this period they shall be replaced in the next planting season with the same species. If a variation in species is required due to disease, agreement must be sought in writing from the Local Planning Authority before the replacement is planted.

REASON: To ensure that trees are replaced for the benefit of visual amenity and character which at present exists on site.

Nic Thomas **- Director of Planning, Economy and Regeneration**