

Notice of Decision



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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 [as amended]

Application No: **25/0801**
Application Type: **Trees in Conservation Areas**
Proposal: **FELLING OF ASH TREE AND CROWN REDUCTION OF SYCAMORE TREE IN CONSERVATION AREA,**
Site/Location: **Viletta, 7 Stow Park Crescent, Newport, South Wales, NP20 4HD**
Decision Date: **17th December 2025**

In pursuance of its powers under the above Act the Council of the City of Newport notifies you of its decision in respect of your application, registered by them on 5th November 2025. The application has been:-

Objection (Trees in Cons Area)

Reason(s) for objection:

- (1) The works will give rise to significant harm to interests of acknowledged importance, namely protected amenity and ecological interests by reason of a lack of detailed Agricultural information that clearly sets out the works required/proposed. No information has been submitted to mitigate this objection and this is contrary to policies SP9, GP2 and GP5 and adopted Supplementary Planning Guidance for Trees, Woodland, Hedgerows and Development Sites (2017).
- (2) The removal of the Ash Tree and the unknown extent of works to the Sycamore Tree would result in undue harm to the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Building and would fail to preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. As such, the proposal is contrary to Policies CE7 and GP6 of the Newport Local Development Plan 2011-2026 (Adopted January 2015), Planning Policy Wales 12 and Technical Advice Note (TAN) 24 and does not comply with the Council's adopted Supplementary Planning Guidance on Shopfront Design (October 2021).

NOTE TO APPLICANT

- (1) This decision relates to plan Nos: Conservation Area Boundary Plan with trees marked, Site Photographs
- (2) The development plan for Newport is the Newport Local Development Plan 2011 - 2026 (Adopted January 2015). Policies GP2, GP5, GP7, SP9, CE7 were relevant to the determination of this application.
- (3) Bats often roost in trees, and work on these trees may disturb a bat roost if one is present. All bats and their roosts are protected against disturbance under UK legislation. If works are planned on a tree in which bats are known to be roosting, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) must be contacted for advice. If work has already commenced and bats are found, or if any evidence that bats are using the site as a roost is found, work should cease and NRW should be contacted immediately. Where there is a

likelihood that bats are present, or where bats are found to be present, a suitably qualified and experienced ecological consultant should be contracted to provide an assessment of the impact of the proposed works, and undertake bat surveys if necessary. Where bats or their roosts are present, no works of felling or removal of major limbs should take place unless a licence to disturb these species and/or their roosts has been granted in accordance with the relevant legislation. Otherwise, a prosecution may result. NRW can be contacted at:- Natural Resources Wales, Tŷ Cambria, 29 Newport Road, Cardiff CF24 0TP, 0300 065 3000 Bat Conservation Trust can be contacted at:- 5th Floor, Quadrant House, 250 Kennington Lane, London, SE11 5DR, 0845 1300228