

**Committee:** Planning

**Agenda Item**

**Date:** 12 November 2014

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**Title:** UTT/14/3000/TCA South Street, Saffron Walden

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Item for decision

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## Summary

This item seeks the Committee's consideration of a request to reduce in overall size and height 1 no. Rhus tree located at 1 Alpha Place, South Street, Saffron Walden.

The tree is located within Saffron Walden Conservation Area. The applicant is a UDC employee.

## Recommendations

No objection to works.

## Financial Implications

None

## Background Papers

UTT/14/3000/TCA application file.

## Impact

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Communication/Consultation	Decision published on weekly list.
Community Safety	None
Equalities	None
Health and Safety	None
Human Rights/Legal Implications	None
Sustainability	None
Ward-specific impacts	None
Workforce/Workplace	None

## Situation

Following a site inspection the Rhus was visible from the street. The reduction in overall size and height is requested in order to clear telegraph lines and a public walkway. The works subject to this notification are acceptable and will not be detrimental to the individual tree or the appearance of the Conservation Area.

## Risk Analysis

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Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
2. If the pruning work is not undertaken there is a risk that weakly attached growth at the old pruning points will break out.  If the work is undertaken there are no associated risks.	2. The likelihood is medium if the pruning is not undertaken within 12-24 months.	3. The location of the tree is such that there is a risk of damage or injury.	Carry out pruning of the tree.

1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.