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My Ref: 4/25/2330/TPO

18 November 2025

CA28 6SG

FAO: Mr Paul Cottier

Dear Sir/Madam

PRUNING OF BRANCHES ON BLACK POPLAR TREE (T1) SITUATED WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA THE PRIORY, ST BEES

I refer to your application of 30/09/2025 for consent to carry out the following work within a Conservation Area:-

PRUNING OF BRANCHES ON BLACK POPLAR TREE (T1) SITUATED WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA

APPLICATION TREE NO.	SPECIES	PROPOSED WORKS	REASON
T1	1x Poplar	Pruning of branches on Black Poplar tree (T1) situated within a Conservation Area.	'T1, Black Poplar. Low hanging branches from the tree are striking the church roof on windy days. Propose reduction pruning of low branches to provide 2m clearance of church building.'

Decision of the Local Planning Authority

I would confirm that there are no objections to the proposal, subject to the following conditions:-



The Poplar tree is in the mature age class and shows signs of normal vitality. The tree is growing at a raised elevation and the lowest branches to the south are close to the church roof.

From the Cumberland website, the site is within the St Bees Conservation Area.

We consider the work detailed in the application reasonable to prevent a tree causing damage.

Our TEMPO assessment (page 2) shows a TPO is defensible; however, we consider it unwarranted at this time given the detailed work specification.

Your Right of Appeal

If you disagree with our decision you can appeal to The Planning Inspectorate, Environment and Transport Team, 3/A Eagle Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN within 28 days from the date you received this decision.

Compensation

If you suffer any loss or damage as a result of a condition attached to this consent, you might be entitled to recover compensation from the Council. If you wish to make a claim you must do so within 12 months from the date of this decision (or, if you appeal to the Secretary of State, within 12 months from the date of this decision). Claims should be made in writing to the Planning Manager, Cumberland Council, The Market Hall, Market Place, Whitehaven, Cumbria, CA28 7JG.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the case officer Demi Crawford on 01946 598413

Yours faithfully

Nick Hayhurst

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