Proposal - [redacted] Jeffries Flint Cottage 22 London Lane Great Paxton PE196RH

The cedar tree is located adjacent to the front boundary hedge between 22 and 24 London Lane. Since the tree was last pruned, there has been regrowth from the mid branches. These branches now extend beyond the hedge line and overhang neighbouring land at 24 London Lane. Consent is sought to reduce the length of the overextending lateral branches on the neighbouring side of the crown by approximately 1.5-2.0 metres, back to suitable growth points, whilst retaining the natural form and character of the cedar. The works will comprise branch reduction only and will not involve removal of the tree, topping, or any other reduction.

The purpose of the proposed works is to manage the increasing weight of the extended growth at the front of the tree for fear of it falling. The neighbouring occupiers at 24 London Lane have expressed concern that the concentration of growth and weight towards their side of the boundary has increased since the previous pruning cycle.

The proposed pruning will maintain a balanced crown structure, reduce the likelihood of branch failure from elongated weighted growth, and prevent further encroachment over the boundary. The works are intended as routine maintenance to preserve the long-term health, safety, and appearance of the tree while addressing reasonable neighbour concerns.