

Planning Officer: Miss Z Toppin

Planning Application Ref: AB/113/20/T

Location: 12 Penfolds Place, Arundel, BN18 9SA

Description of works: 1No. hornbeam tree (T1) - remove very tips of small-diameter branches at the south-west quadrant of the crown to provide clearance of 2m-3m between the tree and the dwelling at 12 Penfolds Place

Reasons given: To increase light-levels to principle rooms and maintain current form of tree

Comments on Application:

T1 Hornbeam / *Carpinus betulus* Height: 10-15m Radial spread: 0-5m Age class: Early mature

- An established tree of apparent good health albeit with a modified crown. It has grown-on well and presents an attractive profile.
- It is an important constituent of an established broken line of trees which help define the character of the area and provide significant visual amenity.

Conclusions:

- The work proposed has been justified on arboricultural grounds. If undertaken to a high standard, then it is unlikely to have an adverse effect on the tree's long-term vitality and visual amenity.

Recommendation:

- I recommend **CONSENT** for this application, subject to the following condition:

Condition to Be Applied to Approved Work: -

Part a) Where whole branches are to be removed and final cuts made close to the trunk or branch union they are to be made as shown in Figure 2 of BS3998:2010

Part b) Where branches are to be shortened back the final cuts are to be made at the correct angle shown in BS3998:2010 and adjacent to a live bud or lateral.

Reasons: In the interests of the tree's continued health and vitality and to accord with current industry guidelines and sound arboricultural practice.

- See also the standard pruning guidance notes issued with the consent letter

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

