

Damian Sullivan

From: Damian Sullivan
Sent: 27 February 2014 14:27
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: AB/9/14/TC Garden R/O 6 Bakers Arms Hill, Arundel

Dear Ms Elderfield,

Thank you for your recent e-mail.

I should point out that no decision has yet been issued on the above application. The comments you see on the website are those of the Council's arborist Bernie Harverson with whom I understand you had a recent site meeting.

I note and agree that this application stands alone to that of the studio under application reference AB/128/13. Whilst the report you have read and referred to in your e-mail talks about the application from the arborist's perspective, I will be writing the definitive report that balances all concerns with an appropriate recommendation. I note your main point however that the two applications are quite separate.

A decision cannot be legally made before the 6th March 2014 which is after the statutory consultation period has ended.

Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, do not hesitate to contact me further.

Kind Regards,
Damian Sullivan

Senior Planner
Arun District Council.

From: caromar1@sky.com [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 February 2014 11:47
To: Damian Sullivan
Subject: Re: application AB/9/14/TC. Mr D Sullivan.

Dear Mr Sullivan,

I see from the website that you have made your final decision to grant permission to prune the tree and shrubs in my garden. Thank you.

However, I am concerned that this application has been explicitly linked to another planning application I have submitted, namely AB/128/13 in respect of a non-permanent structure, a studio.

I would like to point out that application AB/9/14/TC stands alone. It was provoked by the need for advice regarding the amount of growth that impinges on my garden by the two shrubs that overshadow the northern boundary and from my secondary concerns about the implications this is likely to be having on the flint wall. This growth has increased considerably since I purchased the garden in 2011 and the bay is actually growing through the wall. With regard to the very vigorous cherry tree, it has grown over other gardens and I was concerned that this might be a problem to my neighbours.

The planning process for a studio was first set in motion in the summer of 2013. If the application regarding pruning of the shrubs and the tree had been directly linked to it I would have made an application at that point. It is now that the plants in my garden have died back that the problem with the north boundary has become more evident and hence my request for advice.

I am concerned that your report states that this application "is linked to a recent planning application", and that regarding reasons given for the application as : "none really provided but seems to be linked with a planning application for a studio". The reason the application was made is as stated above and I am concerned that any conflation of the two could be construed as detrimental to application AB/128/13/TC.

In your report it is stated that drastic pruning of the ceanothus could result in the shrub dying. I made this observation myself at the meeting on site on 21st February but was told that the plant was damaging the wall so the action was necessary. It was also stated that the shrubs in question, by their natural inclination to grow towards the south, were causing damage to the wall as evidenced by the bulging profile and previous repairs, and were likely to continue to do so despite any pruning.

I am concerned that some of the observations in the report give false impressions about my motivation in making this application.

Yours sincerely,

Caroline Elderfield

On Tuesday, 18 February 2014, 16:44, Damian Sullivan <Damian.Sullivan@arun.gov.uk> wrote:
Dear Ms. Elderfield,

Thank you for your e-mail. I have visited the site already and made my assessment of the trees.

We can discuss any issue you have on the telephone or you are welcome to come into reception here at the Civic Centre but unfortunately due to time pressures I am unable to meet you out on site.

Kind Regards,
Damian Sullivan

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 February 2014 12:26
To: Planning
Subject: Re: application AB/9/14/TC. Mr D Sullivan.

Dear Mr Sullivan,

With respect to the above application, advice was sought in addition to permission for pruning of two shrubs and a tree. Would it be possible to arrange a meeting on site to discuss these actions?

Yours sincerely,