

Planning Officer : David Easton

Planning Application Ref: AW/109/14/T

Location : 53 Kingsway Craigwell Estate, Bognor Regis

Description of works: Fell 1 x Irish Yew; Crown reduce and reshape 2 Holly trees and 2x Irish Yews + prune back one limb on Magnolia

Applicants Reasons: To tidy and renovate an overgrown garden

Comments On Application:

I raise no objection to the following works as this will help them renovate the garden and give other plants room to expand and develop more fully :-

Irish Yew *Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'* – located in the front garden at the left hand corner of the house - FELL

Magnolia *Magnolia soulangeana* - in centre of front garden - shorten back branch to the east side by 2m

Hollies x 2 *Ilex* species (Golden & Silver) – in rear garden – reduce height by 2.5m and lateral spread by 1.5m + remove any reverted shoots

Irish Yews x 2 *Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'* – located in the rear garden – reduce and reshape by 1m overall

Recommendation:

I **Approve** of the removal and pruning works to trees as listed above.

Condition To Be Applied to All Approved Works: -

- *Where whole branches are to be removed final cuts close to the trunk or branch union are to be made as shown in Figure 2 of BS3998:2010 and all branches which need to be shortened are to be cut at the correct angle and adjacent to a live bud or lateral as defined and illustrated in BS3998:2010.*
- *Attention is drawn to the fact that some trees could provide suitable habitat for bird nesting (ivy and cavities) and bat roosting (ivy, branch cracks and cavities) and this might at certain times of year influence and possibly restrict the form of management which can be applied. Given the legal constraints imposed by the Habitat Regulations and the Wildlife and Countryside Act and the fact that it is a criminal offence to disturb or destroy nest sites, this may necessitate expert ecological advice being sought before proceeding with these recommendations. As a minimum requirement it will be necessary for the appointed Tree Contractor to climb the trees and verify that there are no birds nesting or bats present in splits; holes and cavities prior to commencement of works.*

Reasons:-

In the interests of the trees continued health and vitality and to accord with current arboricultural industry guidelines and sound arboricultural practice.

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Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

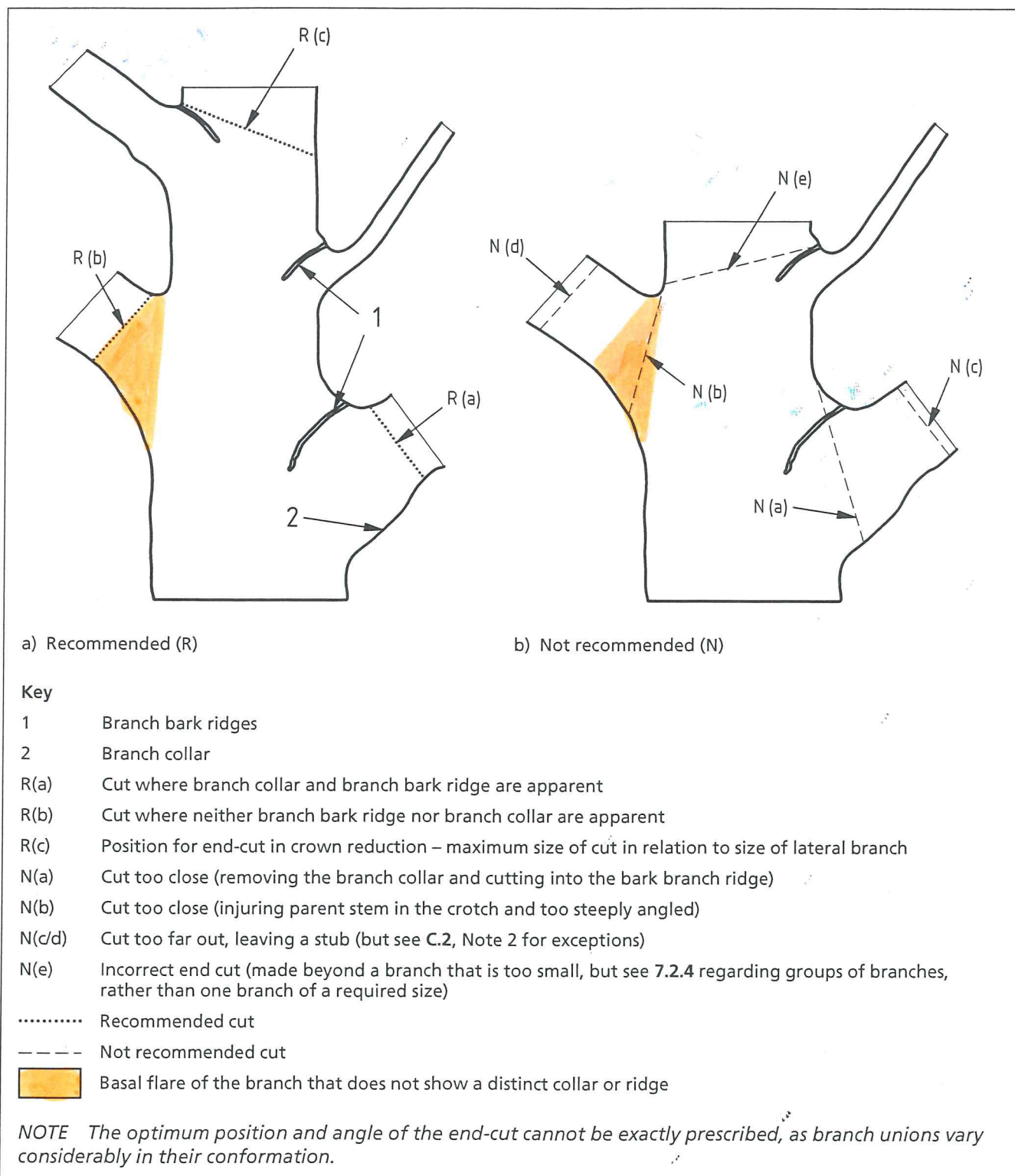


Figure 3 Crown lifting

