

CONSULTEE RESPONSE (Council's Arboriculturist)

Date inspected: 4th February 2026

Case Officer: Silvie Steiningerova

Reference: AW/1/26/T

Location: Wynard, 47 Kingsway, Aldwick, PO21 4DN

Proposal: Crown reduction to 1no. sycamore (T1) to leave a height of 11m and spread of 3.5-4m, crown reduction to 1no. variegated holly tree (T2) to leave a height of 6m and spread of 1.8-2m, crown reduction to 1no. hawthorn (T3) to leave a height of 4m and spread of 2m, crown reduction to 1no. sycamore (T4) to leave a height of 9m and spread of 3m.

Reasons: None given

Comments on Application:

T1 Sycamore / <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Height: 10-15m	Spread: 5-10m	Age class: Early mature
T2 Holly / <i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	Height: 5-10m	Spread: 0-5m	Age class: Early mature
T3 Hawthorn / <i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Height: 5-10m	Spread: 0-5m	Age class: Early mature
T4 Sycamore / <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Height: 5-10m	Spread: 0-5m	Age class: Semi mature

T1 and T4 are both subjects of a preservation order – TPO/AW/260/10.

T2 and T3 are not subjects of a preservation order but similarly are growing within a Conservation Area.

Both sycamores appear to be in good health. They have been managed by regular whole crown reduction pruning. T1 is prominent in the street scene, T4 is of lesser stature and more discreetly located.

This latest proposal seeks a repeat of operations previously granted consent by the local planning authority. There should be no long-term detriment to tree health and amenity if undertaken to a high standard and at an appropriate time of year.

T2 and T3 have similar stature, prominence and pruning history to T4. There should be no harm to the character or appearance of the conservation area on completion of the proposed work.

Conclusions:

T1 and T4 – There is sufficient extension of new growth since the last operations were undertaken and so the proposal is justified on arboricultural grounds.

T2 and T3 – I have no objection to the proposed works and see no reason to make a Tree Preservation Order.

Recommendations:

We inform the person(s) who gave notice, that the works can go ahead (T2 and T3).

We grant consent for the proposed works (T1 and T4), subject to the following condition:

Condition 1

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.

Part c) Where crown reduction work has occurred previously, the removal of subsequent growth (shoots and branches - and position of final pruning cuts) must respect established knuckles by not extending beyond their point of origin.

Reasons: In the interests of the trees' 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

Informative:

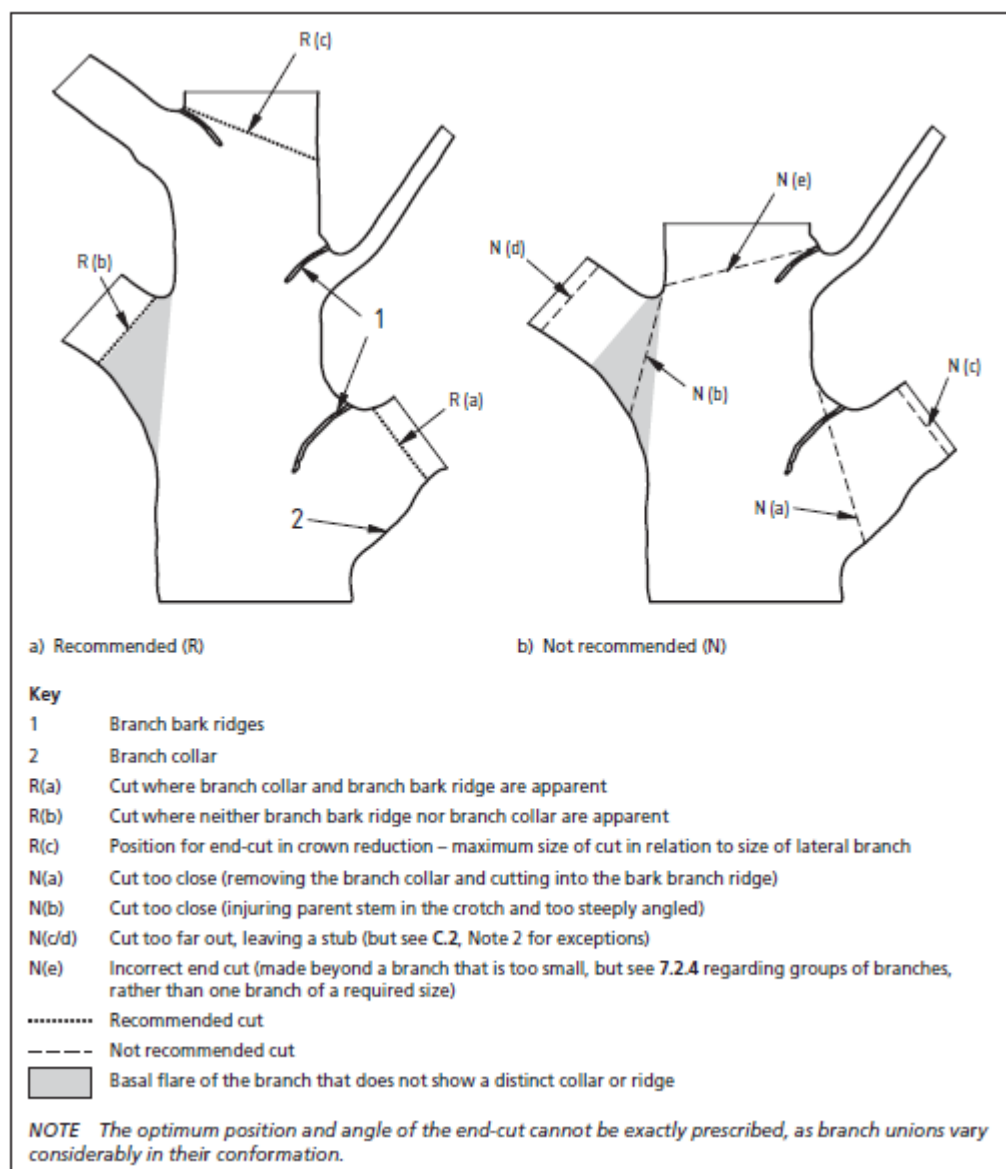
Hard pruning creates numerous and/or large wounds, incurring a physiological stress which may affect long-term health and vitality. The optimum time for pruning sycamore is summer or midwinter. They are prone to bleeding.

Mark Warwick

Tree Officer

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Figure 2 Positions of final cuts



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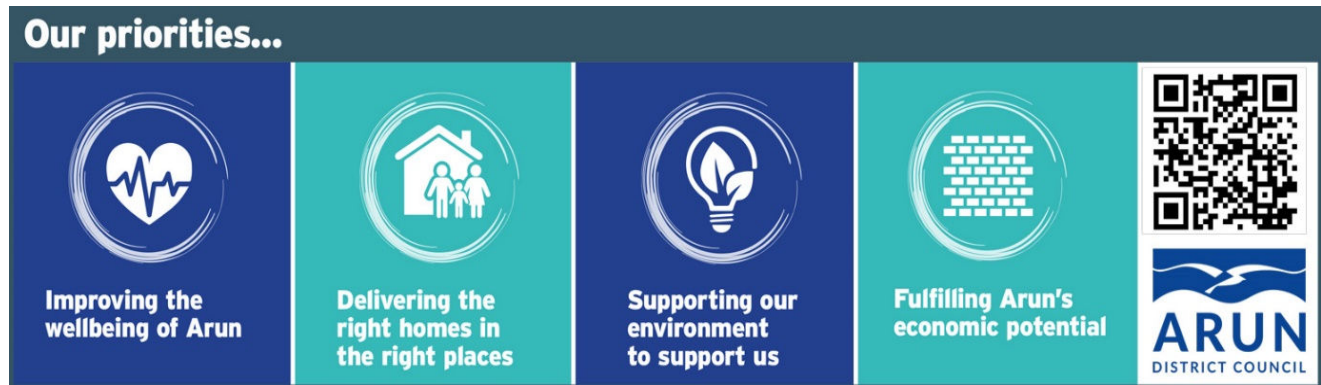
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Please find attached my report for your consideration.

Regards,

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