

CONSULTEE RESPONSE (Council's Arboriculturist)

Date of report: 12th December 2025

Case Officer: Silvie Steiningerova

Reference: AW/212/25/T

Location: Grassed area in garage compound, Westminster Drive, Aldwick, PO21 3RG

Proposal: Crown lift to 2no. *Acer campestre* (T1 and T2) to 3m above ground level, removal of epicormic growth and spread reduction to leave a spread of 11m (T1) and 7.5m (T2).

Reasons: To achieve satisfactory clearance from adjacent dwellings and over verge and drive/footways.

Comments on Application:

2x Field maple / *Acer campestre* Height: 10-15m Radial spread: 5-10m Age class: Mature

I have considered this application by means of a desktop review, using the information and plans submitted as well as online resources. Previous consideration from site and familiarity with the surrounding area provide further insight to the proposal.

The applicant has submitted a comprehensive tree survey report from an arboricultural consultant, which describes the trees and the proposed work in detail.

Reduction in crown spread is necessary on specific aspects to ensure clearance from buildings. Small diameter branches are to be pruned at low levels, to ensure unobstructed passage for traffic.

Conclusions:

The proposed work will not incur harm to the trees or loss of visual amenity and has been justified on arboricultural grounds.

Recommendation:

We grant consent for this application 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.

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

Mark Warwick

Tree Officer

Environment and Climate Change

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Please find attached my report for your consideration.

Regards,

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Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

