

ADC PARKS & GREENSPACE ARBORICULTURE

FROM: Dafydd Lloyd

TO: Janice Chapman

PLANNING APPLICATION: AW/218/14/T

ADDRESS: 11 Grange Court, Aldwick, PO21 4XR

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Reduce crown of 1No. Lime tree back to the previous pruning points (3-4 metres).

INSPECTION DATE: 04/09/2014

RECOMMENDATION:

Objection ☐

No Objection ☒

Suggested Conditions ☐

Comment ☒

Recommendation ☒

Abate a Nuisance ☐

Tree Replacement ☐

Dead/Dangerous ☐

CA & Amenity Value ☐

Survey:

Species: Large leaf Lime *Tilia platyphyllos* **Height:** 9 meters **Average Crown Spread:** 5 meters **Crown Condition:** good **Form:** good **Age Class:** mature

Comments:

- Outlined tree lies in the area of Aldwick, which has high amenity landscape with young, semi mature, mature, and over mature trees specimens present.
- This tree as stated in the application has had a reduction about 5-6 years ago. This is evident from the site visit.
- It does appear this activity has been done on a cycle over a number of years as the pruning points have callused over.
- This tree does appear to be responding to the management well, as there is vigorous regrowth, and the leaf size/density appears to be good. There are also no signs of decay/pathogens that have been introduced because of this pruning method.

Recommendation:

- **It would be therefore my recommendation that this pruning operation should be allowed to take place**, as this method of reducing has been established, and it should be maintained in the interests of the trees longevity and also reducing the risk of failure occurring.

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 shortened branches are to be cut at the correct angle (see also 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.

**Dafydd Lloyd
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