

ADC PARKS & GREENSPACE ARBORICULTURE

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TO: David Eastern

PLANNING APPLICATION: AW/244/14/TC

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Reduce 1No. strawberry tree and 1No. Eucalyptus by 1 meter within the Aldwick Bay Conservation Area.

INSPECTION DATE: 13/10/2014

RECOMMENDATION:

Objection ☐ No Objection ☒ Suggested Conditions ☐

Comment ☒ Recommendation ☐ Abate a Nuisance ☐

Tree Replacement ☐ **Dead/Dangerous** ☐ CA & Amenity Value ☐

Survey:

Species: Eucalyptus **Height:** 8 meters **Average Crown Spread:** 2.5 meters
Crown Condition: fair **Form:** fair **Age Class:**

Species: strawberry tree **Height:** 5 meters **Average Crown Spread:** 1.5 meters
Crown Condition: fair **Form:** fair **Age Class:** early mature

Comments:

- These trees are set within the high amenity landscape of Aldwick Bay. The surrounding landscape has a varied mix of tree species and age classes.
- It is clear from the site visit these trees have had historic reductions. The application is requesting a reduction that would see these established pruning points utilised.
- As the reductions that have been requested are so small relative to the size of the outlined trees, the action is highly unlikely to have any effect on the individuals health and/or longevity.

Recommendation:

- **I therefore have no objection** to this application of pruning works, as it unlikely to have any effect on the given trees health and/or longevity.
- As the sycamore has an active TPO, I would like to place the following planning condition:

Planning Conditions:**Crown Reduction**

The Crown Reduction should not exceed the removal of single branch lengths which are greater than **1m** from the periphery of the original crown diameter. The branch removals should leave healthy substantial leaf bearing side branches. All side branches to be retained should be at least **1/3rd** in diameter of the removed branch. Pruning cuts must be flat and smooth, kept as small as possible by cutting at an optimum angle and should not exceed **100mm** in diameter.

REASON

'In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of tree surgery in the interests of retaining good health and amenity in accordance with policy GEN7 of the Arun District Local Plan'.

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Tree Officer