

CONSULTEE RESPONSE (Council's Arboriculturist)

Date of inspection: 11th November 2025

Case Officer: Jonny Cooper
Reference: AW/239/25/T
Location: 107 Manor Way, Aldwick, PO21 4HU
Proposal: Fell 1no. golden *macrocarpa* (T1).
Reasons: Loss of amenity value and potential for future limb failures.

Comments on Application:

Monterey cypress/*Cupressus macrocarpa* Height: 15-20m Radial spread: 5-10m Age class: Late mature

T1 is considered the subject of a preservation order – Bognor No.2 and is within the Aldwick Bay Conservation Area.

This is a large tree which is visible in part from the highway. It has an asymmetric crown profile, largely a result of successive pruning operations to maintain clearance of adjacent properties in Hunters Close.

There has been a historic separation of main stem union, with further deterioration in structural integrity an obvious concern. There are several limbs with longitudinal splits (hazard beams) that are typically progressive and result in collapse. A recent medium sized branch in the upper crown has failed.

Conclusions:

The tree has multiple structural defects and is increasingly vulnerable to gale damage. It presents an unacceptable level of risk of harm to persons or property and there are no satisfactory remedial pruning options or practical defensive measures to secure its retention as a tree with amenity value.

The boundary location, proximity to multiple dwellings and mature garden setting with numerous other trees; in my opinion preclude a requirement to secure a replacement planting by way of a condition.

Recommendation:

We grant consent for this application.

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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