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I visited this location on 8th October 2019. I was able to undertake a close inspection of the Lawson cypress tree, subject of this application.

I have undertaken a desktop review of Tree Preservation Orders which may affect this plot. My understanding is that only Bognor No2 (Area Order) could apply to this tree.

I am confident that this tree would not have been established at the time that Order was made (1958). Furthermore, I do not believe this tree is of sufficient public amenity value to justify the making of an individual Order to preserve its place in the landscape. It is also worth noting that the adjacent driveway has been disrupted by buttress root expansion from this tree, to the extent that repair/reconstruction is likely to be necessary in the near future. There does not seem to be a practical alternative to such work or an engineering solution that could allow safe and harmonious retention of the tree.

Therefore, I conclude our consent to carry out the proposed work is not required.

My recommendation is that the applicant be advised to proceed without further recourse to this Authority.

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