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Charlotte

Please find attached my comments/observations for your consideration.

Regards,

Mark

Planning Officer: Charlotte Easton
Planning Application Ref: **AW/267/18/T**
Location: **8 Old Place, Aldwick PO21 3AU**
Description of works: **Remove 3 branches to 1 No. Eucalyptus tree**
Reasons Given: Concern for future stability of tree

Comments on Application:

Gum / *Eucalyptus* sp. Height: Approx. 12m Average spread: 5m Age class: Early mature

- This tree appears to be outwardly healthy, stable and free from obvious structural defect.
- It has a contorted main stem, a probable legacy of its early attempt to escape the shade of companion trees – from which it has emerged dominant.
- The upper limb and branch framework has achieved good symmetry and presents an attractive crown profile, albeit on an imperfect but nonetheless strong main stem.
- The tree is prominent at the front of the plot and is visible from adjacent property and public highway.

Conclusions:

- The tree appears outwardly sound and no evidence of structural instability has been provided in support of the application.
- The tree is a notable feature in the local landscape and appears to be in adequately sound and healthy condition. The tree surgery proposed in the application has not been justified on arboricultural grounds.

Recommendations:

- I recommend **REFUSAL** for this application.

Mark Warwick

Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team