

Katherine Rawlins

From: Ian Brewster [redacted]
Sent: 05 December 2011 11:44
To: Katherine Rawlins
Subject: RE: AW/271/11/T 27 Fish Lane, Aldwick

Katherine,

I just tried calling you but went to voice mail. I cannot advocate lopping but would suggest the 'combination of 50% crown thinning and 50% reduction of those remaining branch re-growths to retain a crown with leaf budding'. At least with this method the tree retains some leaf budding rather than it having to start again as a 'Pollard' and back to an ugly and bare framework.

Ian

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From: Katherine Rawlins [mailto:Katherine.Rawlins@arun.gov.uk]
Sent: 05 December 2011 10:59
To: Ian Brewster
Cc: Eve Hearsey
Subject: RE: AW/271/11/T 27 Fish Lane, Aldwick

Ian,

The application refers to similar works carried out *since* 1986, the most recent application being in 2005 for a crown reduction of 30% to the Sycamore Trees.

The LPA has approved 4-5 applications for similar works over the past decade.

Katherine

From: Ian Brewster [redacted]
Sent: 05 December 2011 10:49
To: Katherine Rawlins
Subject: AW/271/11/T 27 Fish Lane, Aldwick

Dear Katherine,

The applicant proposes a crown thin by 30% of the Sycamore trees and refers to work carried out in 1986. However this would have been for 'lopping', i.e. cutting hard into the primary branching structure to produce excessive re-growths. I presume that similar work is what is now being proposed. Hard pruning known as 'Lopping' is unacceptable according to today's pruning BS standards. Re-addressing poor pruning and resultant excessive re-growths requires skill as a combination of 50% crown thinning and 50% reduction of those remaining branch re-growths to retain a crown with leaf budding, and is recommended.

Yours sincerely
 Ian Brewster

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