Janice Chapman

From: Ian Brewster
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To: Janice Chapman
Subject: RE: AW/276/11/T 6 St. Richards Drive, Aldwick

From: Ian Brewster [redacted]
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To: Janice Chapman
Subject: AW/276/11/T 6 St. Richards Drive, Aldwick

Dear Janice,

The proposal to lop the mature Ash is excessive and not acceptable. However I understand the need for the applicant to have the mature tree reduced in size to remove the overhang branches away from the conservatory. The tree also grows from a raised border where some of its supportive roots have become prominent and exposed.

Selective branch removal seen as a combination of crown reduction and thinning known as 'drop crotching' could be successfully carried out where the wound sizes should be restricted to a minimum diameter of 10cm. Those crown areas which protrude beyond the natural flow of the crown perimeter should be pruned more so, including that which overhangs the conservatory, to create a flowing and balanced outline as viewed from the highway. This pruning method would retain a high proportion of leaf budding, restricting wound sizes for quicker occlusion/healing by callus where the tree would respond and recover without adversely affecting its overall health and condition.

Yours sincerely

Ian Brewster