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Dear Mrs Chapman Re: AW/283/14/TC

I refer to your recent objection to my proposal to remove one Holm Oak at my property and wish to appeal said decision.

My application already made you aware of the problems this tree is and in the future could cause and this is despite taking approved trimming of the tree over the years since living at the property. Moreover your records will show I requested approval at the end of last year to trim same back and I drawer to your attention your comments in your letter of the 13th January 2014 reference AW/315/TC when you advised you would not be making a TPO on said tree and the works could go ahead. Accordingly the trimming was undertaken, cutting back to the previous trim line which left the tree bare of leaves, but due to its rapid rate of growth, which is one of the problems and concerns especially with what the roots are doing, the tree was fully green in less than four weeks and is already showing growth in excess of one and a half feet.

The tree director of the bay had no objection to removal and whilst noting the conservation people did, I would drawer to all parties attention that within my front garden along this boundary I have already planted some14 trees, plus a further 2 under the Holm Oak. It is accepted that at this time of year when the more ornamental trees have shed their leaves the Holm is more dominant, but from Spring to Autumn it is shielded by the aforementioned tree line, and the skyline is significantly more dominated by my neighbours silver birch and my own 2 very substantial evergreens behind it.

Historically in 2011 my neighbour ref AW/206/11/T appealed successfully to your objection to remove his Holm Oak and it would appear this was won on the fact that like mine this tree had no TPO upon it.

In line with your policies I would appreciate you reconsidering your decision and would be only too willing to meet on site to discuss same further.

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