

**KIDD TREE SURGERY**

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Head of Planning Services
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Dear Sir

Ref: AW/320/11/T

I have been asked to look at one Scots Pine and two Corsican Pines at the address, 1 Lichfield Gardens, Aldwick, PO21 3RB.

I understand that an application was submitted to your Authority to carry out works on these trees by Mr R Kidd of 5 Westminster Drive, Aldwick, PO21 3RA.

I have read the permission allowed as to the recommendations that you will allow to be carried out on these trees. The reason that I am involved with this application is that I am very concerned about the damage these trees are causing, not only to Mr Kidd of 5 Westminster Drive's property. One of the problems over the years is that the wall surrounding the back garden has been damaged before and rebuilt. Even plinths were put in place because of root damage. The other problem in the rear garden is that roots are lifting the patio. To put it bluntly, the wall is also lifting. Mr Ian Brewster, of Lichfield Gardens, also has a rather serious problem with opening his garage door because of the root problems. Finally, the footpath under the large Pine is badly damaged by roots.

I would have thought that root pruning is a possibility but what are the risks. I know that they trees may look good for amenity value, but they are causing no end of problems.

I would like to meet on site with somebody from your department, so that we can discuss these problems on site. I would be pleased if you could contact me to arrange a convenient time.

Yours sincerely


R K Kidd
Tree Surgeon