

Planning Officer: Zac Denton

Planning Application Ref: AW/325/17/TC

Location: Verge of junction of The Fairway & The Ridings, Aldwick

Description of works: Reduce crown overall by 1.5m except for west facing branches some of which will be shortened back by 2m to 2.5m

Applicants Reasons To give a better shape and form

Comments On Application:

Golden Macrocarpa *Cupressus macrocarpa* Avge. Height: 14m Avge Sprd: 6m Age: Early Mature

- This is a multi-stemmed tree from ground level and is situated in the grass verge outside 89 The Fairway and is a squat spreading habit having been pruned by man and the wind in the past.
- There is significant overhang of the garden at No 89 and this tree casts significant shade over same.
- The crown contains a lot of deadwood and dieback caused by saline winds.

Conclusions:

- There will be no significant loss of amenity value as a result of these works provided that they are professionally undertaken and all final cuts are made to living growth points.
- The vigour and vitality of these trees should not be compromised by the proposed works.

Recommendations:

- I see no reason to apply a Tree Preservation Order to seek to control or refuse these works given that this level of pruning is acceptable - I therefore raise **NO OBJECTION** to same.

ADVISORY: -

- Where branches are to be shortened back the final cuts are to be made at the correct angle shown in BS3998:2010 and adjacent to a live bud or lateral.

Reasons : In the interests of the trees continued health and vitality and to accord with current industry guidelines and sound arboricultural practice.

- *See also the standard pruning guidance notes issued with the consent letter.*

Bernie Harverson

Consultant Arboriculturist