

CHCAA

Craigweil House and its Environs Conservation Area Association

'Preserving our Regal, Historic and Architectural Heritage for Future Generations'

AW-33/17/T-1

Head of Planning Services
Arun District Council
Maltravers Road
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20th March 2017

Dear Sirs

**OBJECTION – AW/33/17/T---Pumping Station R/O 19/21 Kingsway,
Craigweil Private Estate.**

I write to OBJECT to the above Application to FELL 3 Poplar trees on the perimeter of the Craigweil House Conservation Area (CHCA).

These trees are a distinct feature in the background vistas of the area and **a distinct public amenity.** Removing them will simply expose the residents to the north to the views and inconvenience of the tipping area for garden and other waste, over the gully at that point of the Craigweil estate, the very reason for their placement in the first place. We lose numerous trees each year in Aldwick and their removal must be declined without arboricultural reasoning.

The tree line here is a feature of the landscape in and from the CHCA as may be seen from the attached photographs and form a major feature when viewed from the cul-de sacs at Larchfield Close, Seacourt Close and Grangefield Way, to the north of the Craigweil Estate.

I believe they were planted in the 1970's as part of the large Gleeson's housing development to the north and in this case to assist in disguising an amenity area within the Craigweil Estate to the south, from residents in Larchfield Close. I am not aware whether the present residents in Larchfield Close are those of the 1970's but assume the complaints received now by the Water Company and their Agents have come from that quarter. The trees must be treated on their merits and not to appease or placate residents.

Poplar trees need care over their lifetime and periodic maintenance/husbandry will be necessary.

However, there is certainly no case to REMOVE them by FELLING as proposed. An appropriate act of husbandry is all that is required here. To request felling simply on the grounds of shadowing is unjustifiable and wrong. As the trees are contained within the

Craigweil House Conservation Area, the authorities Arboriculturist must be employed to provide suitable recommendations for any works undertaken.

Yours faithfully

Ian Jefferies
Deputy Chairman

PHOTOGRAPHS

Pics 1 & 2---Kingsway

Pic. 3-----Seacourt Close

Pic. 4-----Grangefield Way

Pics 5 & 6----Larchfield Close

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