

Planning Officer: Charlotte Easton

Planning Application Ref: **AW/358/18/T**

Location: **10 Faresmead, Aldwick PO21 3DQ**

Description of works:

Reasons Given:

Comments on Application:

3x Hornbeam / <i>Carpinus betulus</i>	Height: Approx.10m	Average spread: 3.5m	Age class: Mature
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- Outwardly and from a distance these trees appear to be in a fine physiological state and form part of an established boundary tree group.
- The central tree is dominant and despite having multiple stems, presents an attractive crown profile. The two companion trees on either side are slightly suppressed but nevertheless are constituent parts of the group and important for its cohesion.
- They grow at the rear of the property and can be seen from surrounding properties and public highway (road and footway). They are a good distance from dwellings and do not present any obvious problems.

Conclusions:

- The work proposed would irrevocably alter the form and profile of this established tree group and has not been justified on arboricultural grounds.
- The trees are an established feature in the local landscape and appear to be in adequately sound and healthy condition. The tree surgery proposed in the application would result in reduction of the tree's landscape impact and undue detriment to the visual amenities of the locality.

Recommendations:

- I recommend **REFUSAL** for this application.

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