

Planning Officer: Hannah Kersley

Planning Application Ref: AW/394/21/T

Location: 86 Barrack Lane, Aldwick, PO21 4DG

Description of works: Crown lift 1no. black poplar tree to 6m. over driveway and main road

Reasons given: Obstructing clear passage for lorries

Comments on Application:

Hybrid black poplar / *Populus x canadensis* Height: 20-25m Radial spread: 5-10m Age class: Mature

- Outwardly and from a distance (roadside) this tree appears to be in a fine physiological state and assumed to be so in the absence of any evidence provided to the contrary.
- It is a large tree with a full and spreading crown, both highly visible from numerous properties and to users of the public highway (footway and carriageway).
- The applicant seeks to remove/reduce branches on roadside aspects only, to achieve long-term clearance for high-sided vehicles.

Conclusions:

- The work proposed is justified on arboricultural grounds. If undertaken to a high standard there will be no loss of public amenity.

Recommendation:

- I recommend **CONSENT** for this application, subject to the following condition:

Condition to Be Applied to Approved Work: -

Condition 1

Part a) Where whole branches are to be removed and final cuts made close to the trunk or branch union they are to be made as shown in Figure 2 of BS3998:2010.

Part b) 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 interest of the tree's 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***

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Greenspace

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

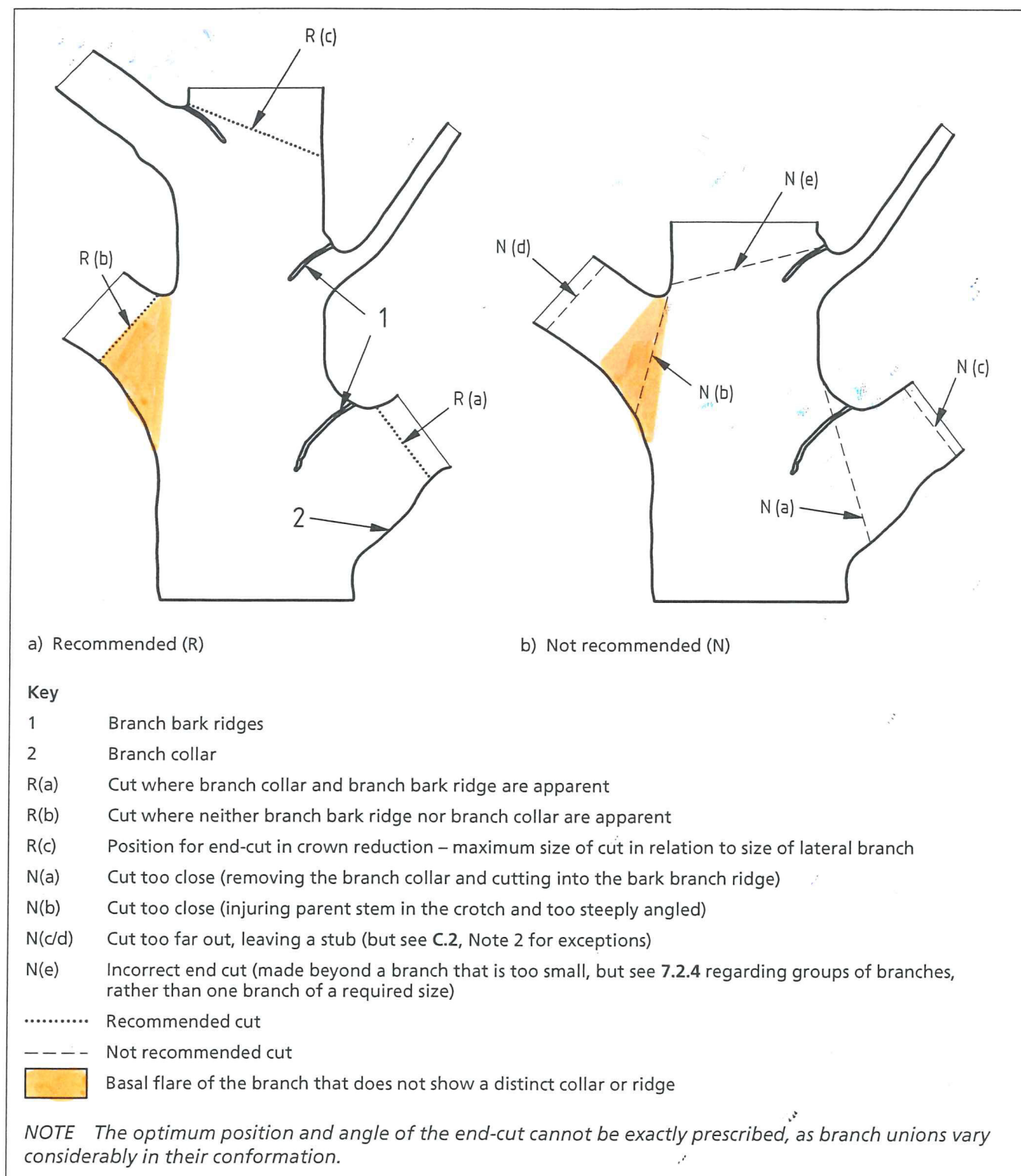


Figure 3 Crown lifting

