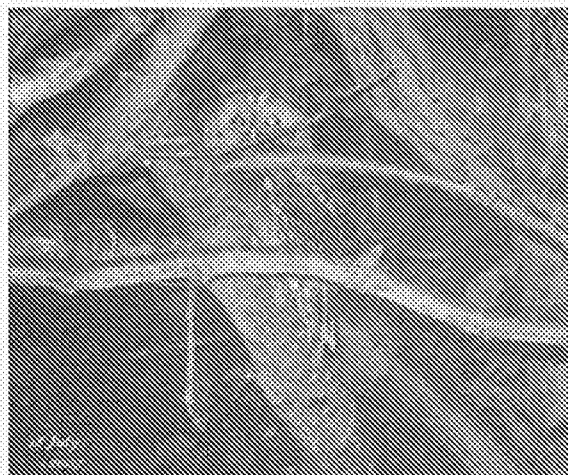


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Dear Sirs,

ref: AW/47/14/T - Fell No.1 Macrocarpa, 32 Fernhurst Gardens, Aldwick

We should like to register our objections to the felling of this tree, for the following reasons:

This tree is an outstanding reminder of the imaginative planting with Macrocarpas which went on hereabouts in the early part of the last Century. Indeed, locally, in this part of Fernhurst Gardens, it is only one of three remaining, the others having been removed at one time or another. Of these three, one remains in our own Garden here, at 30 Fernhurst, the other in the garden of the applicant, Alastair Higson. All are subject to TPOs.

It would indeed be sad to see this tree felled as it remains an asset to the local area, part of the Aldwick scene, and is enjoyed by the many passersby who walk through from Fernhurst Gardens to Barrack Lane. Although it has suffered some storm damage of recent years, careful and sympathetic management in the future, as in the past, will ensure that it is there to be enjoyed for many years to come.

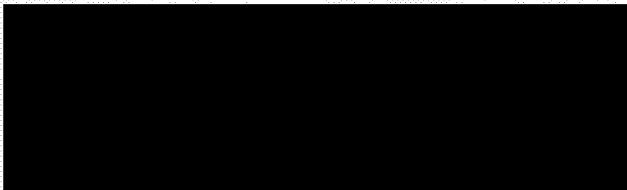
The trunk of the tree, from its base up to a considerable height, is perfectly sound and nowhere is a deterioration in the timber evident. Elsewhere, it has been suggested that there has been lifting of the foot-path due to root development. In fact, the roots as evident now have always been there and were simply covered by 'tarmac' when the foot-path was improved by the Local Authority some years ago.

Quite apart from the tree's aesthetic qualities which people are able to enjoy, there are good environmental reasons for ensuring that this tree is treated in a sympathetic manner. Apart from breeding Carrion Crows, we have breeding TAWNY OWLS, too. Every year, without fail, the Owls rear one brood and sometimes two. Breeding takes place early in the year and is currently under way and will continue until early summer. Whatever the outcome of the planners' decision, on this occasion, these birds must not be disturbed at the present time. The Owls do not nest in the tree under discussion, but

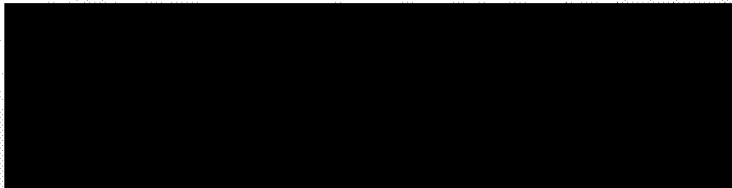
do so within 100 metres and, of course, even outside of the breeding season, this Macrocarpa is very much part of their hunting and territorial environment. A picture, taken in 2007, is shown at the head of this letter.

After due consideration of the facts, we hope that this planning application will be refused.

Yours faithfully,

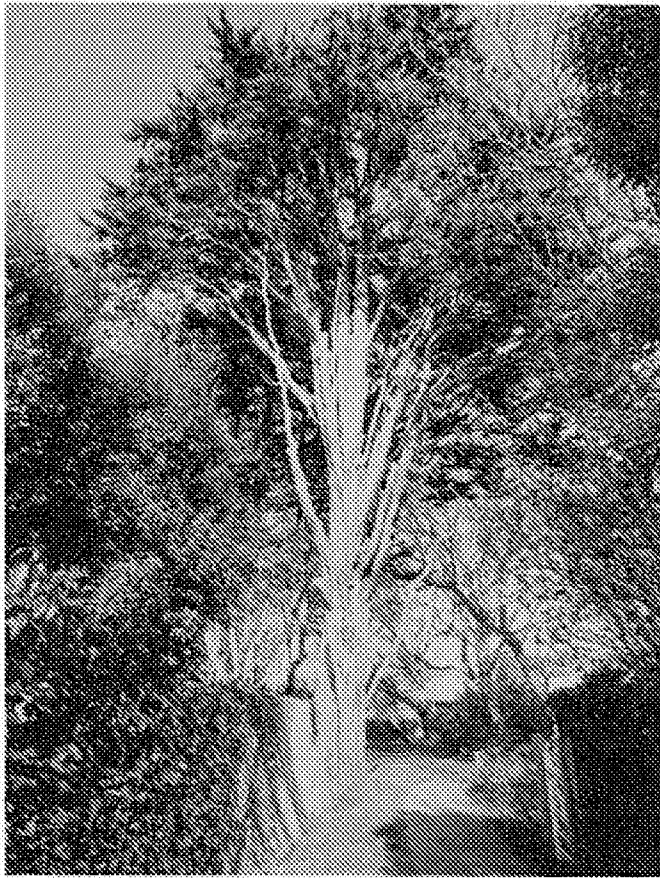
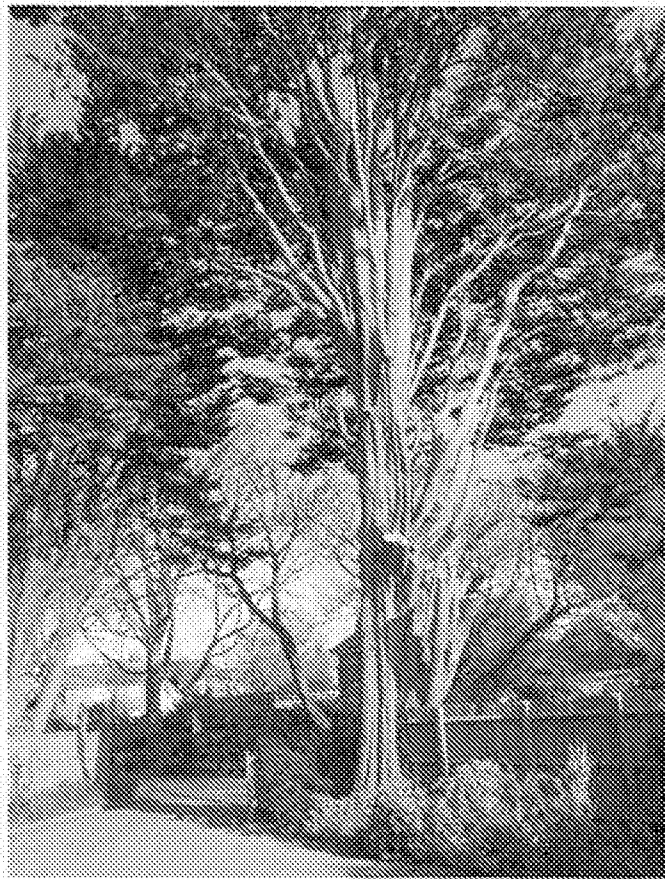


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