

**Planning Officer:** Charlotte Easton  
**Planning Application Ref:** AW/68/19/T  
**Location:** The Studio, Cypress Way, Aldwick, PO21 4DF  
**Description of works:** Crown lift 3m to 1No. beech tree  
**Reasons Given:** Obstruction and excessive shading of garden

**Comments on Application:**

**Beech / *Fagus sylvatica***      Approx. height: 14m      Average spread: 6m      Age class: Mature

- Outwardly and from a distance this tree appears to be healthy and stable with a relatively unmodified and attractive crown profile despite having asymmetric form. It resides at the end of a prominent linear group of mixed tree species.
- It grows at the rear of the property and can be seen from neighbouring dwellings and in part from publicly accessible land.

**Conclusions:**

- If undertaken to a high standard and by restricting the pruning to no larger than secondary branches; there will be no loss of public amenity on completion of the proposed works.
- The work proposed is justified on arboricultural grounds as it seeks to strike a balance between the tree's influence over underlying garden and the need to retain trees with dignity by having respect for natural tree form.

**Recommendations:**

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

**Conditions To Be Applied to Approved Work: -**

- 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
- 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**

Mark Warwick  
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

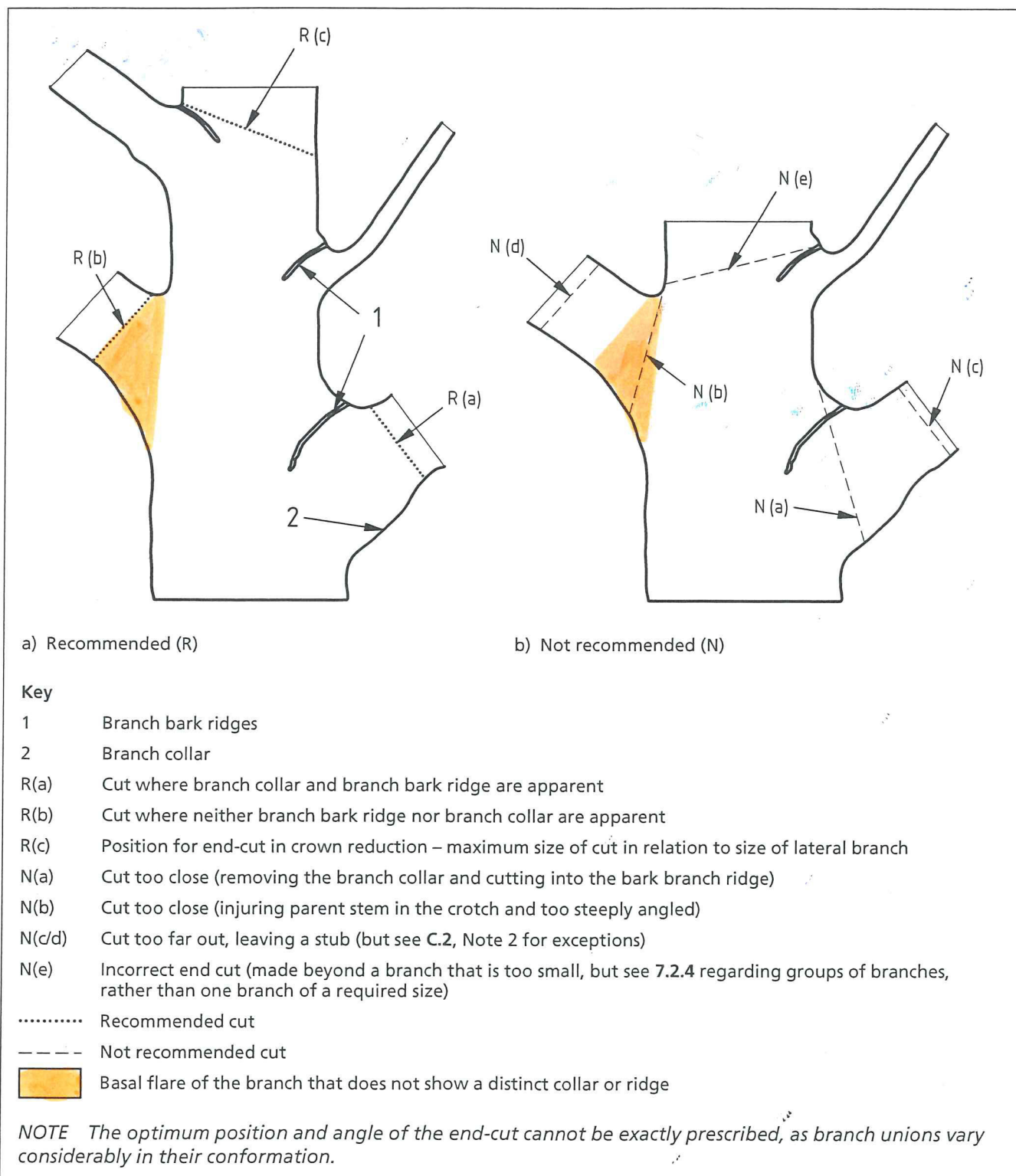


Figure 3 Crown lifting

