

ADC PARKS & GREENSPACE ARBORICULTURE

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TO: Janice chapman

PLANNING APPLICATION: AW/72/15/T

ADDRESS: Larrikins 4 Tinghall Aldwick PO21 3RJ

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Reduce crowns of 10 No. Beech trees to previous pruning points.

INSPECTION DATE: 20/04/2015

RECOMMENDATION:

Objection ☐ No Objection ☒ Split Decision ☐

Comment ☒ Recommendation ☒ Suggested Conditions ☒

Tree Replacement ☐ Dead/Dangerous ☐ CA & Amenity Value ☐

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Comments:

- The outlined trees lie within the area of Aldwick, which is a high amenity landscape with young, semi mature, mature, and over mature trees specimens present.
- The trees cited in this application are situated in a linear belt along the southern boundary. The trees have obviously been reduced previously to a height at 3.5 meters. The applicant has applied to reduce to these established pruning points. According to the BS 3998:2010 the continuation of this pruning regime is likely to increase the retention span of the cited trees in this application.

Recommendation:

- As this operation is likely to increase the retention span of the heightened trees, **I would have no objection to the proposed application.**
- **The applicant is to adhere to the following conditions when completing the proposed operation;**

Conditions:

Crown Reduction

All side branches to be retained should be at least **1/3rd** in diameter of the removed branch. Pruning cuts must be flat and smooth, kept as small as possible by cutting at an optimum angle and should not exceed **100mm** in diameter.

REASON: In the interests of the trees continued health and vitality and to accord with current industry guidelines and sound arboricultural practice.

Crown Clean

The Crown Clean should consist of deadwood and stub removal where all cuts should be made to the branch collar. Where crossing branches are encountered the weaker branch/branches should be reduced or removed to avoid contact between them. The remaining branch/branches should be shortened as appropriate to relieve 'end weight' and sudden exposure by reducing the leaf bearing branch tips by no more than 30%.

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