

Case Officer: Hannah Kersley
Reference: AW/81/22/T
Location: 60 Aldwick Avenue, Aldwick, PO21 3AQ
Proposal: Various work to 2no common beech trees (01 & 03) and 1no. horse chestnut tree (02)
Reasons given: Health and safety

Comments on Application:

- I have considered this application by means of a desktop review, using the information and plans submitted as well as online resources. Previous consideration from site and familiarity with surrounding areas provides further insight to the proposal.
- The applicant has employed Mark Welby, Arboricultural Consultant to assess the trees and provide a report on their condition. This is comprehensive and recommends a balanced set of work proposals to manage the trees in an appropriate state for their location.
- The trees are large and prominent, providing high levels of visual amenity to the surrounding area.

Conclusions:

- The proposed work has been justified on arboricultural grounds. These are high profile specimen trees that are to be carefully pruned to maintain reasonable enjoyment of residential property and with respect for natural tree form.
- If the work is undertaken to a high standard and at the right time; then it is unlikely to have an unduly adverse effect on the trees' long-term vitality and visual amenity.

Recommendation:

- I recommend **CONSENT** is granted subject to the following condition:

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 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*

Advisory:

- The optimum time to prune both type of tree is during the late spring to summer period (May to August).

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Greenspace

Figure 4 Diagrammatic illustration of crown reduction

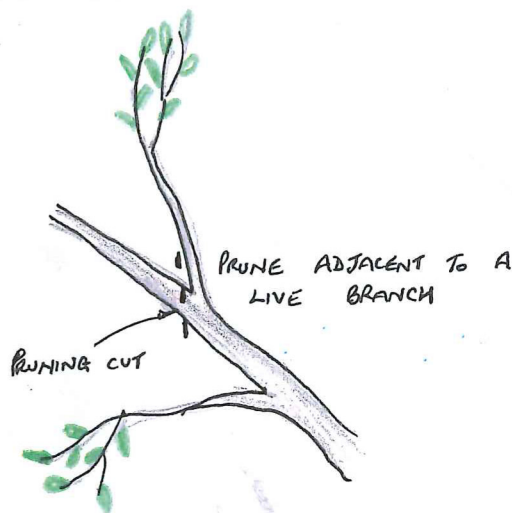
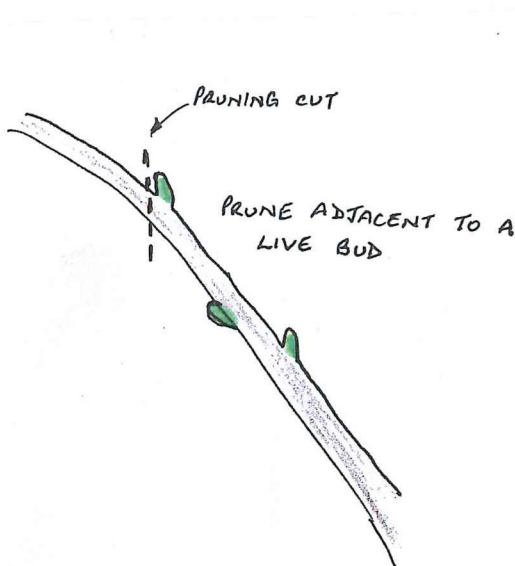
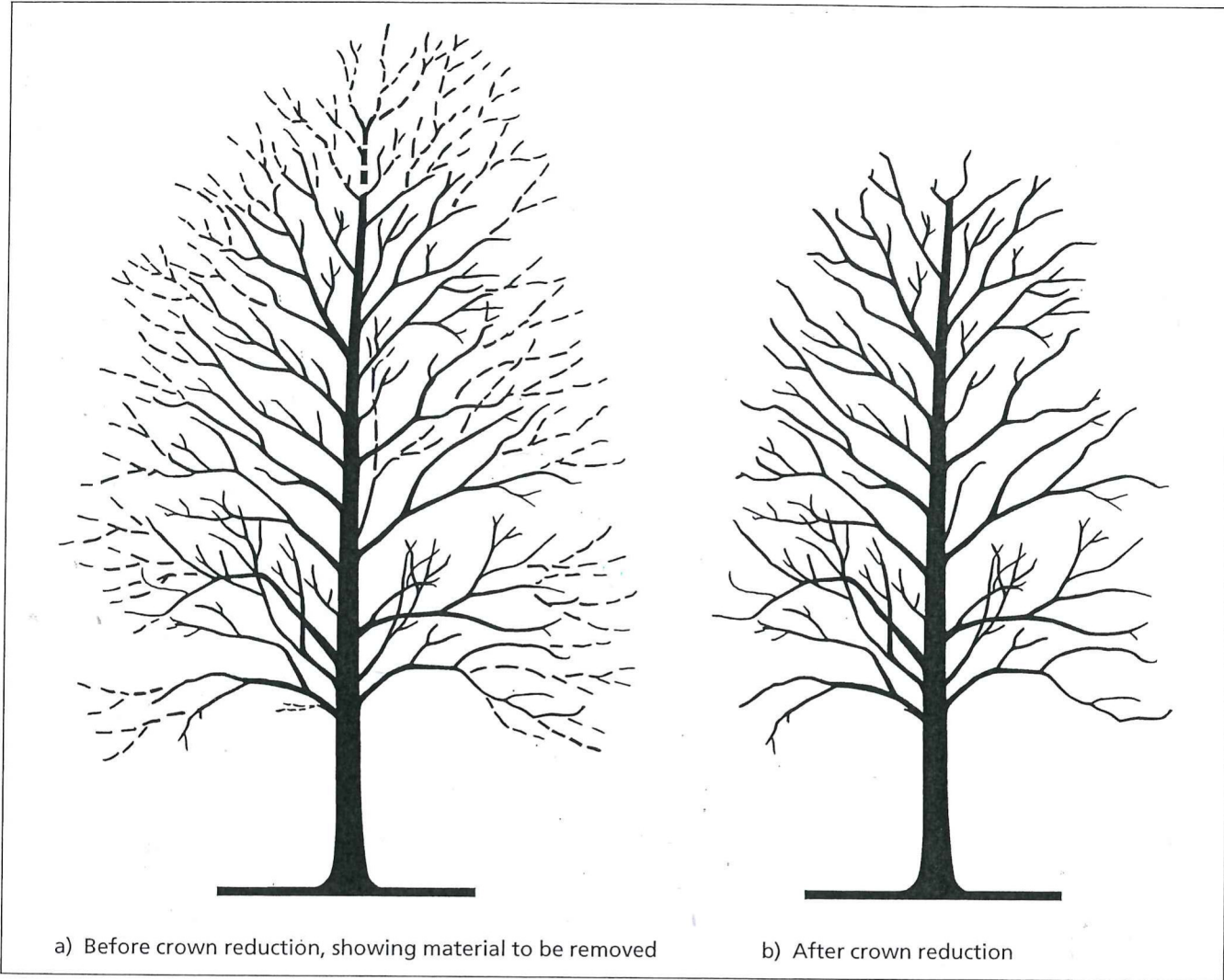


Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

