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81 West Drive
Angmering

Your Ref: OWPC20127
Our Ref: A/112/18/T 19-08-2018
Please ask for:
Mrs C Easton

9th October 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town & Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012

2.5m Crown Reduction & 30% Crown Thinning to Westside of 1 No. Magnolia.
Flint House Mulberry Hollow Angmering

Thank you for your internet representation made on 8th October 2018 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

*I object in the strongest terms possible to this application on the basis of its detrimental impact on the character and amenity value to the estate.
This is the fifteenth application relating to tree preservation orders in Mulberry Hollow and make a complete mockery of the planning system.
The owners of these properties have consistently destroyed the character of the area with their unrelenting quest to remove or severely cut back the specimen trees once so important to the significance of Ham Manor.
These locally significant specimen trees have been destroyed by the applicants, who instead of acting as responsible custodians have consistently sought to degrade the character of the area which is now beginning to resemble any other modern housing estate.*

*The area once known for its specimen and veteran trees were comprehensively protected by tree preservation orders to protect the estate from irresponsible owners such as these. The district council arboricultural officer should be upholding the value that these trees hold in the community instead of granting over a dozen consecutive applications without rigorous challenge or adequate consideration of the objections made.
Reputed to be the second largest magnolia tree in the whole of Sussex, this application must be refused on the basis of a lack of robust justification for further degrading and destroying the historical significance of the tree in its current setting and irreversible damage to the amenity value it provides for the estate.
In addition, local bat populations who regularly use these trees for roosting and likely hibernation have been decimated by the comprehensive removal of so many trees in the area, including the nearby copse over which you also failed to act. On the basis of ecological considerations and preserving the natural habitat of protected species, the application should also be refused.*

Unfortunately it is not possible for the council to respond to each representation individually but your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

If the application is to be determined at the Development Control Committee and your letter has been received after the agenda has been published, you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances, it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the website or telephone for further information. Please be advised that any comments received after the Development Control Agenda has been produced will be reported to the meeting. Please also note that only a small number of all planning applications are determined at the Development Control Committee, most are determined by officers under delegated power.

All representations are published on our website so please make sure your views are clear and only include information that you are happy for the public to view. Do not include personal information or information from third parties unless you have their permission to do so. If a complaint is received that permission has not been given for comments included about a third party, the Council reserves the right to redact/remove all relevant information. Do not include information that is defamatory or breaches equality or other legislation. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website and on the file, please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed, although this does mean that its contents will be disregarded. For details of what we do with your personal information please refer to our privacy statement comments on planning applications which is available on our website www.arun.gov.uk/planning-privacy-statements.

In the event of a subsequent written representations appeal, against a refusal of planning permission on a householder application, any representations made on the application will be automatically forwarded to the Secretary of State. Unlike all other types of appeal, there will be no further opportunity to comment at the appeal stage.

Yours faithfully

Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning