

ADC PARKS & GREENSPACE ARBORICULTURE

FROM: Dafydd Lloyd

TO: Ross Leal

PLANNING APPLICATION: BR/180/15/T

ADDRESS: 10 East Dean Bersted Street Bognor Regis PO22 9QJ

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Reduce 1No. Holm Oak by 4 metres

INSPECTION DATE: 24/09/2015

RECOMMENDATION:

Objection ☒

No Objection ☐

Split Decision ☒

Comment ☒

Recommendation ☒

Suggested Conditions ☒

Tree Replacement ☐

Dead/Dangerous ☐

CA & Amenity Value ☐

T1 Species: Holm Oak *Quercus ilex* **Height:** 15 meters **Average Branch Spread:** 5.5 meters **Crown Condition:** fair to good **Form:** fair to good **Age Class:** mature

Comments:

- The tree cited in this application is located in the front area of 10 East Dean, Bersted.
- From the site inspection it is quite evident that **T1** has had historic reduction/s. These reductions currently have 3.5 meters regrowth from the established pruning points.
- The applicants request to reduce **T1** by 4 meters would surpass the established pruning points.

Recommendation:

- I would object to the proposed operation of a reduction of 4 meters to **T1**, as it would surpass the established pruning points.
- I would have no objection to the reduction operation of no more than 3.5 meters only, ensuring the pruning operation does not surpass the established pruning points.
- The following conditions must be adhered to when completing the proposed operations;

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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**Dafydd Lloyd
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