

Planning Officer : Easton

Planning Application Ref: BR / 277 / 13 / T

Location : Communal Land to southeast of 25 Servite Close and land o/s 10, Aldwick PO21 2DF – Veridian Housing

Description of work:

T2 Norway Maple (**Acer platanoides**) – fell to ground level

T5 Common Ash (**Fraxinus excelsior**) – weight reduction over garden of No25

T6 Common Ash (**Fraxinus excelsior**) – reduce weight in limb undermined by decay/cavities

Trees T1/T3 & T4 – to have deadwood removed which is permitted under the exemption clause.

Reasons Given:

T2 Norway Maple – very little foliage this Summer appears to be in terminal decline

T5 Common Ash – needs a weight reduction due to overhang of garden for safety reasons

T6 Common Ash – to reduce weight of limb exhibiting structural defects.

All works are said to be part of general maintenance and health and safety related.

Recommendation:

NO Objection	X	Comment	X	Dead & Dangerous	
Object		Recommendation		Abate a Nuisance	
Conditions Suggested	X	CA & Amenity Value		Tree Replacement required	YES

Comments On Application: Avge Height = 12m Average radial branch spread = 5m Age = Early Mature

T2 Norway Maple - Very little by way of live bud formation when compared to the adjacent tree of the same species and size. I agree to the removal and stump grinding subject to a replacement planting.

T5 Common Ash – Kinked trunk and heavily weighted over garden to the north side. Has been very heavily reduced and reshaped in the past so there are weak points of attachment in the crown and a reduction exercise of around 2m is justified.

T6 Common Ash – Woodpecker holes and cavities potentially undermine the integrity of the limb to the south side of this tree. I agree to a reduction by up to a maximum of 4m overall on this one branch.

Conditions:

T2 Norway Maple

Fell to ground level in a controlled manner and then have the stump ground out by a specialist machine to a depth of around 300mm and remove all chippings (to avoid fungal infection) and backfill the hole with soil and tamp down to make safe. Plant a replacement tree as close to the original location as is practical and within twelve months of the removal of T2 – the new tree is to be of Selected Nursery Stock Standard proportions and adequately staked and tied with the species to be selected from :-

Manna Ash (*Fraxinus ornus*) or Caucasian Wingnut (*Pterocarya fraxinifolia*) or Norway Maple (*Acer platanoides*)

Reason: ‘In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of tree surgery in the interests of retaining good health and amenity in accordance with British Standard 3998 and policy GEN 7 of the Arun District Local Plan.’

T5 Common Ash

Reduce north side of tree only where it overhangs the garden of No 25 Servite Close in a controlled manner to avoid damage to property or personal injury - making all final cuts in accordance with Figure 2 of British Standard 3998 (copy attached).

Reason: 'In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of tree surgery in the interests of retaining good health and amenity in accordance with British Standard 3998 and policy GEN 7 of the Arun District Local Plan.'

T6 Common Ash

Reduce the length of the southern limb ONLY (that contains the woodpecker hole and cavities) by a maximum of 4m - making all final cuts in accordance with Figure 2 of British Standard 3998 (copy attached).

Reason: 'In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of tree surgery in the interests of retaining good health and amenity in accordance with British Standard 3998 and policy GEN 7 of the Arun District Local Plan.'



Consultant Arboriculturist

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

