

Planning Officer: Zac Denton

Planning Application Ref: EG/86/17/T

Location: 131 Farnhurst Road, Eastergate

Description of works: Fell 1 No Oak

Reasons Given: Represents a danger to the property

Comments:

Pedunculate Oak *Quercus robur* Height: 15m AvgeSprd: 7m Age: Early Mature

- The concern here is that there are two mature Oaks close together on the road frontage to this site and their plan only shows one tree!
- What we have is a dominant upright trunked tree and a second dominated, suppressed and leaning tree that grows towards the house.
- The upright tree is sound and healthy and contributes significantly to the amenity of this area and it needs to be stressed that whatever work is recommended here it **does NOT apply in any way to this tree**.
- The weaker Oak with the arching lean is **not dangerous** but because of the dominance of the better tree it can only continue to grow out towards the house and cause a nuisance.

Conclusions:

- I see no real objection to the removal of the weaker leaning tree on the grounds that the nuisance factor can only get worse and its removal might benefit the better tree beside it.

Recommendations:

- I recommend **APPROVAL** for the works as described in the application.
- In this instance we will not be seeking a replacement tree at this location.



Consultant Arboriculturist