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Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Application No: FG/150/21/T
Site Address: 1 Sea Lane Close Ferring BN12 5DT
Description of works: Fell 1 No. Monterey Cypress tree (T1) and fell 1 No. Austrian Pine tree (T2).

Thank you for your internet representation made on 31st August 2021 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC40026

Ferring Conservation Group objects to the proposed felling and destruction of two of the most significant and mature trees in the whole of Ferring. These trees are many many decades old and far out date the surrounding properties. They contribute positively to the street scene as one enters the village centre while helping to maintain some degree of green cover in an area where far too many good trees have been felled as they were deemed to be a nuisance.

The trees were only given the protection of a TPO in 2019, so it makes no sense to destroy them just two years later. There has been a history of lack of maintenance, but that is no reason to rid the village of them.

The applicants have put forward a report which indicates some damage to drains and the tarmac drive alongside the trees, but there are simple engineering solutions to deal with these problems which can be considered, and I can see no evidence of actual damage to the property.

At this time of extreme climate change, our communities need every tree that we can to moderate its effects, especially such large and magnificent examples as these. They need protecting rather than reducing to a pile of wood chippings and the resultant sterile environment that would follow. We as a Group campaign for more trees to be planted locally, and will not stand by and witness the loss of these important examples.

If they were to go, the centre of Ferring would be a poorer place environmentally, and we call on Arun DC to stand by their very recent TPOs on these trees and refuse this application.

David Bettiss - Chairman, Ferring Conservation Group

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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