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Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Application No: FP/10/22/T
Site Address: The Old Cottage 10 Vicarage Lane Felpham PO22 7EA
Description of works: 1 No. Holm Oak tree (T1) - Crown lift to 5m, remove all hanging branches, remove all damaged branches and tidying of wounds. 1 No. Yew tree (T2) - Fell.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 9th February 2022 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC44218

Felpham Parish Council objects to the felling of the yew tree due to incorrect application - please see comments from Felpham Parish Council Tree Warden below:

Requested work to crown lift holm oak by 5m is reasonable, given this is a large tree in fairly close proximity to neighbouring properties.

To flag - while the oak seems in reasonable health, it does have a large cavity (c.18 inches long) on the north face of the trunk, which has damp rot at the base of the cavity and a split which runs the length of the cavity. On closer inspection, the split extends to around 8 inches into the main trunk, which suggests the structure of this oak is compromised.

I'd suggest the homeowner obtains an arboricultural survey prior to any work being carried out, to determine how severe the cavity is, particularly as the tree is close to neighbouring properties.

In terms of the smaller neighbouring yew tree, the homeowner informs me that the application is incorrect and they do not wish to fell but instead reduce by 50%, which is appropriate as it is encroaching on the holm oak.

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

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

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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