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Dear Mr Burrows

**Crown thin by 20-25% and crown reduction by up to 3m to 2No. Evergreen Oak trees and 1No. Oak tree
Easton Lodge, 2 Crossbush Road, Felpham**

Further to our discussion regarding the above application please see below the comments of the Councils Tree Officer which suggests a variation to the works to the trees applied for.

Tree Officers Response:

The work of crown thinning and crown reduction is unjustified. I would recommend the following;

T1 Evergreen Oak, Crownlift to 2.5m is acceptable. Heavy reduction/thinning of a semi-mature tree would react to produce denser re-growths and create further problems for the tree owner and is not recommended.

T2 is a Lime tree not an Evergreen Oak, The tree requires pruning back to the edge of the highway up to a height of 5m and reducing away from the house to provide a 1-2m gap. The tree has developed a natural taper from the south west to the north east and a desirable feature. As with the above tree, a heavy reduction/thin would produce profuse growths.

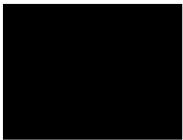
T3 English Oak, this has been subjected to heavy limb removal leaving large wounds of approximately 150mm in their width. The tree requires time to heal and recover and further substantial tree work is not recommended. However a crown reduction to provide a gap of 1-2m from the house would be acceptable.



May I request your confirmation that the works which are suggested by the Council's Tree Officer would be an agreeable amendment to the surgery. If you do not agree with the suggested variation of works, the application will be refused as unjustified and unacceptable works to protected trees.

Your response would be appreciated by 19th September 2011.

Yours sincerely



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