

Planning Officer: Charlotte Easton
Planning Application Ref: FP/238/18/T
Location: 74 Outerwyke Road, Felpham, PO22 8LT
Description of works: Crown lift to 5m including removing 4 lowest secondary growth to 1No. Macrocarpa tree
Reasons Given: Improve light levels and effect of tree on property

Comments on Application:

Monterey cypress / *Cupressus macrocarpa* Height: Approx.16m Average spread: 8m Age class: Mature

- Outwardly and from a distance it appears to be in a fair physiological state with an attractive crown profile.
- It is a large tree that occupies a prominent position at the front of the property and can be clearly seen from neighbouring dwellings and public highway.
- The removal of low branches has not been specified in detail, but from site discussion with the resident is assumed to refer only to secondary branches growing from the underside of primary branches and limbs which are to remain intact.

Conclusions:

- If the work is undertaken to a good standard and at the right time; then it is unlikely to have an adverse effect on the tree's long-term vitality and visual amenity.
- The work proposed is justified on arboricultural grounds as it seeks to maintain reasonable access/enjoyment of the property and adequate space for established garden small trees and shrubs to flourish, with respect to natural tree form.

Recommendations:

- I recommend **CONSENT** for this application, subject to the following conditions:

Conditions To Be Applied to Approved Work: -

- Where whole branches are to be removed and final cuts made close to the trunk or branch union they are to be made as shown in Figure 2 of BS3998:2010
- Where branches are to be shortened back the final cuts are to be made at the correct angle shown in BS3998:2010 and adjacent to a live bud or lateral.

Reasons: In the interests of the trees continued health and vitality and to accord with current industry guidelines and sound arboricultural practice.

- *See also the standard pruning guidance notes issued with the consent letter.*

Mark Warwick

Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

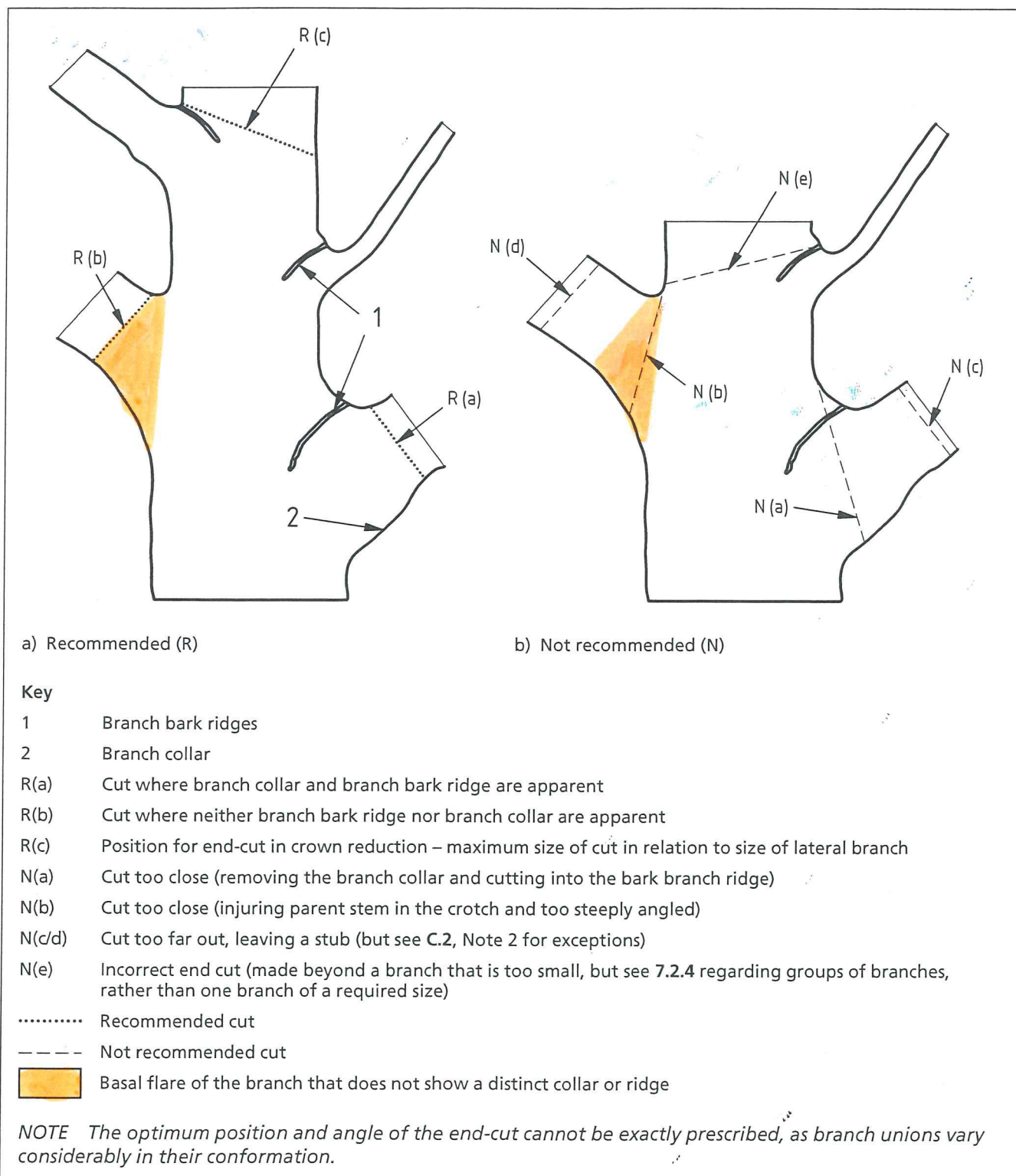


Figure 3 Crown lifting

