

Case Officer: Hannah Kersley
Reference: FP/46/22/T
Location: 25 Lindsey Court, Felpham, PO22 8JQ
Proposal: 1no. ash tree - remove 2.5m branch overhanging neighbouring property
Reasons given: None provided

Comments on Application:

Common ash / *Fraxinus excelsior* Height: 5-10m Radial spread: 5-10m Age class: Early mature

- I have considered this application by means of a desktop review, using the information and plans submitted as well as online resources.
- The tree appears to be in a fine physiological state and assumed to be so in the absence of any evidence provided to the contrary. It is visible from surrounding properties and to users of the public highway.
- Its crown overhangs several rear gardens. Although the work specification is ambiguous, the photographs suggest that lateral spread only on the west aspect (overhanging 23 Lindsey Court) is to be affected. No height reduction is proposed. The application is determined on this basis.

Conclusion:

- If the work is undertaken to a high standard and at the right time, then the tree should be able to remain a long-term visually interesting feature in the local landscape.

Recommendation:

- I recommend **CONSENT** is granted subject to the following condition:

Condition to Be Applied to Approved Work: -

Condition 1

Part a) 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

Part b) 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 interest of the tree's 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 / Greenspace

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

