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From: Zac Denton
Sent: 27 June 2017 12:17
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: LU/139/17/T

Dear Mr Mulholland,

I have just received comments regarding your application for tree works at 2 The Art Barn, East Street, Littlehampton. They are detailed below:

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T1 Pedunculate Oak *Quercus robur* Height = 15m Avge spread = 5m Age = Early-Mature

- This tree is outwardly sound and healthy and visually important in the landscape.
- It is dominated by the Pine to the north side and has not grown as much to the east side as to the south and west sides.

Conclusions:

- I have no problem with shortening the lateral spread back on the south and west sides but not to the degree requested and no pruning is required to the east side.
- To prune back by 2m would be excessive and this needs to be reduced in severity otherwise it will impact on the visual amenity value of this tree in the landscape.

Recommendations:

- I recommend **REFUSAL** for the pruning of this tree as requested.
- They are of course free to remove deadwood without reference to the local authority.

ADVISORY:

I suggest that the applicant re-submits seeking the following:-

1. Shorten back lateral branches to the south side by between 1m to 2m maximum as required making all final cuts adjacent to living growth points – NO STUBS devoid of foliage to be left.
2. Shorten back lateral branches to the west side by between 1m to 1.5m maximum as required making all final cuts adjacent to living growth points – NO STUBS devoid of foliage to be left.

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Currently the application is set to be refused, however, I am able to change the proposed description of works to those in the advisory, this would allow you to do the works in the advisory.

Would you like me to change the description to the proposal outlined in the advisory? I believe that the works would be likely to receive an approval.

Please reply within a week so I can change this for you.

Kind regards,

Zac Denton

