

Planning Officer: Michael Eastham

Planning Application Ref: LU/139/19/PL

Location: Rear of 16 & 17 Granary Way, Toddington Lane, Littlehampton, BN17 7QY

Description of works: Kingpost retaining wall

Comments on Application:

- I have undertaken a desktop review of the documents submitted in support of this proposal and online resources, which are adequate for me to determine this application.
- There are trees in the immediate locality which are likely to be adversely affected by the proposals. There is no supporting arboricultural information submitted with the application - a requirement of BS5837:2012. These are roadside/garden hawthorn which although appearing to be in generally good health (2018) are of poor form. It seems inevitable that they will have to be removed to facilitate this essential engineering proposal.

Conclusions:

- The proposed work is essential to preserve the integrity of ground levels within residential property and adjacent busy public highway.
- The removal of several small trees of low value to accommodate the engineering work will not result in undue detriment to the visual amenities of the locality.

Recommendation:

- I see no reason to object to these proposals on arboricultural grounds.
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Mark Warwick

Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team