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Subject: Prior Notification Of Works To Tree(s) In A Conservation Area - LU/186/18/TC

Application ref: **LU/186/18/TC**

Location: 15A Western Road, Littlehampton

Works proposed: Fell 1No. Oak within Littlehampton Sea Front conservation area

I visited this location on August 7th 2018, to determine the aforementioned Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) s211 Notice.

This is a dominant tree in the street scene and its removal will have a significant impact on the visual aspect from several properties. That said, it has been under physiological stress for many years and ongoing decline has resulted in a high percentage of dead branches, particularly on its south aspect where exposed to coastal winds. There is plenty of live growth to sustain the tree although the leaves are under-sized and epicormic growth constitutes a relatively high percentage of the overall crown. Therefore it is unlikely to be resilient enough to both tolerate a 'crown reduction' and retain enough aesthetic value to justify such an operation. In any event it obstructs reasonable access to the adjacent garage unit and is not a long-term proposition. There is no scope for a replacement planting at this location.

The work proposed will result in the character of the surrounding area being diminished, but is reasonable and justifiable on arboricultural grounds.

I raise **No Objection** to the works that have been applied for and see no reason to make a Tree Preservation Order in this instance.

Kind regards,

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