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Your Ref: OWPC1137
Our Ref: LU/245/13/TC 14-08-2013
Please ask for:
Mr D Sullivan

7th October 2013

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) s211 Notice

Crown reduce & thin 1 No. Sycamore tree by 3 metres in height within the Littlehampton River Road Conservation Area

Land R/O 18 River Road Littlehampton

Thank you for your internet representation made on 4th October 2013 which has been recorded as '**an objection**' with the comments as follows:

I would like to thank Mr Damian Sullivan for his help and I would like to thank also Littlehampton Civic Society. My friends and I would like to state that the best solution to the problem would be if Arun District Council or Mr Brewster of ADC went ahead to obtain a Tree Preservation Order as the tree does make a significant contribution to visual amenity. A friend has taken pictures of the tree if anyone requires to see them. We can see no reason why the height needs to be reduced, it is part of a group of trees which are visually attractive and are also extremely useful to prevent flooding in the area. The tree is not at the rear of 18 River Road, but it is the rear of properties 19 & 20 River Road. Therefore there are no overhanging branches in the garden of 18 River Road. We see no reason why the applicant has asked for the tree to be reduced in height. I would like to emphasise with River Road having to prepare for flooding which could damage the houses the trees in question are extremely useful to the area and have prevented dampness to all the surrounding houses.

Your views will be considered before the application is determined and I shall write to inform you of any decision made.

Please be aware that if the application is to be determined by the Council's Development Control committee and your letter has been received at a late stage after the Agenda has been published you will not receive a separate letter notifying you of the date of the meeting and procedures for public speaking. In such circumstances it is recommended that you track the progress of the application on the Council's website or telephone the Council for further information. Please be advised that any comments you make that are not included within the Committee Agenda will be reported to the Members of the Development Control committee. Please also be aware that only a small number of all planning applications received go to the Development Control Committee. Most are determined under delegated powers by Officers in which case your comments will again be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish details of your comments on the internet on the Arun District Council Planning section. Please ensure that you only provide information that you are happy will be made available in this way. If you supply information belonging to a third party, please ensure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the 'open file' please confirm this in writing and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that its contents will then be disregarded.

In the event of a subsequent written representations appeal, against a refusal of planning permission on a householder application, any representations made on the application will be automatically forwarded to the Secretary of State. Unlike all other types of appeal, there will be no

further opportunity to comment at the appeal stage.

Yours faithfully

Karl Roberts
Assistant Director Planning & Economic Regeneration