

Planning Officer: Miss Z Toppin

Planning Application Ref: LU/334/20/T

Location: 1 Watersmead Drive, Littlehampton, BN17 6GH

Description of works: Crown lift 1no. holm oak (G1) to 3m above ground level, remove branch of 1no. Monterey pine (T2) from NW portion of lower crown, remove deadwood from 2no. Monterey pine (T3 and T5), crown Lift 1no. Monterey pine (T4) to 3m above ground level, crown reduction to north of 1no. maritime pine (T6) to 5m, remove deadwood of 1no. poplar (T7)

Reasons given: i) Health and safety ii) Abatement of nuisance

Comments on Application:

- The removal of dead or dangerous branches is an exception and does not require consent from the local planning authority. Notification of those works is appreciated.
- The applicant has employed Andrew Gale Tree Surgery Ltd. as agent, to prepare and submit a tree survey and plan. This is comprehensive and includes a detailed work specification with satisfactory reasons given for each item.

Conclusions:

- The work proposed is justified on arboricultural grounds.
- There will be no loss of public amenity on completion of the proposed works.

Recommendation:

- I recommend **CONSENT** for this application, subject to the following condition:

Condition to Be Applied to Approved Work: -

- 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 interests of the trees 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 / Parks and Greenspace Team

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

