

Planning Officer: Miss Z Toppin

Planning Application Ref: M/12/21/T

Location: 14 Sunnymead Close, Ancton, Middleton-On-Sea, PO22 6LS

Description of works: Remove lowest limb to 2no. sycamores (T1 and T2) to westerly face, raising canopies to 3.5m above ground level

Reasons given: Excess shading over garden

Comments on Application:

T1 & T2 Sycamore / *Acer pseudoplatanus* Height: 10-15m Radial spread: 0-5m Age class: Semi mature

- Outwardly and from distance these trees appear to be in a fine physiological state (and assumed to be so in the absence of any information/evidence provided to the contrary).
- They are likely self-seeded and while of moderate quality are useful components of the woodland.

Conclusion:

- If the work is undertaken to a good standard and at the right time; then it is unlikely to have an adverse effect on the tree's long-term vitality and visual amenity.

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

Advisory:

- We are obliged to advise that where trees are situated on land not owned by the applicant the granting of consent by this authority does not by association give permission to undertake such works that require access onto/from that land. Nor does it permit any work to take place beyond the boundary of the applicant's property. Additional permission must first be obtained from the land/tree owner.

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

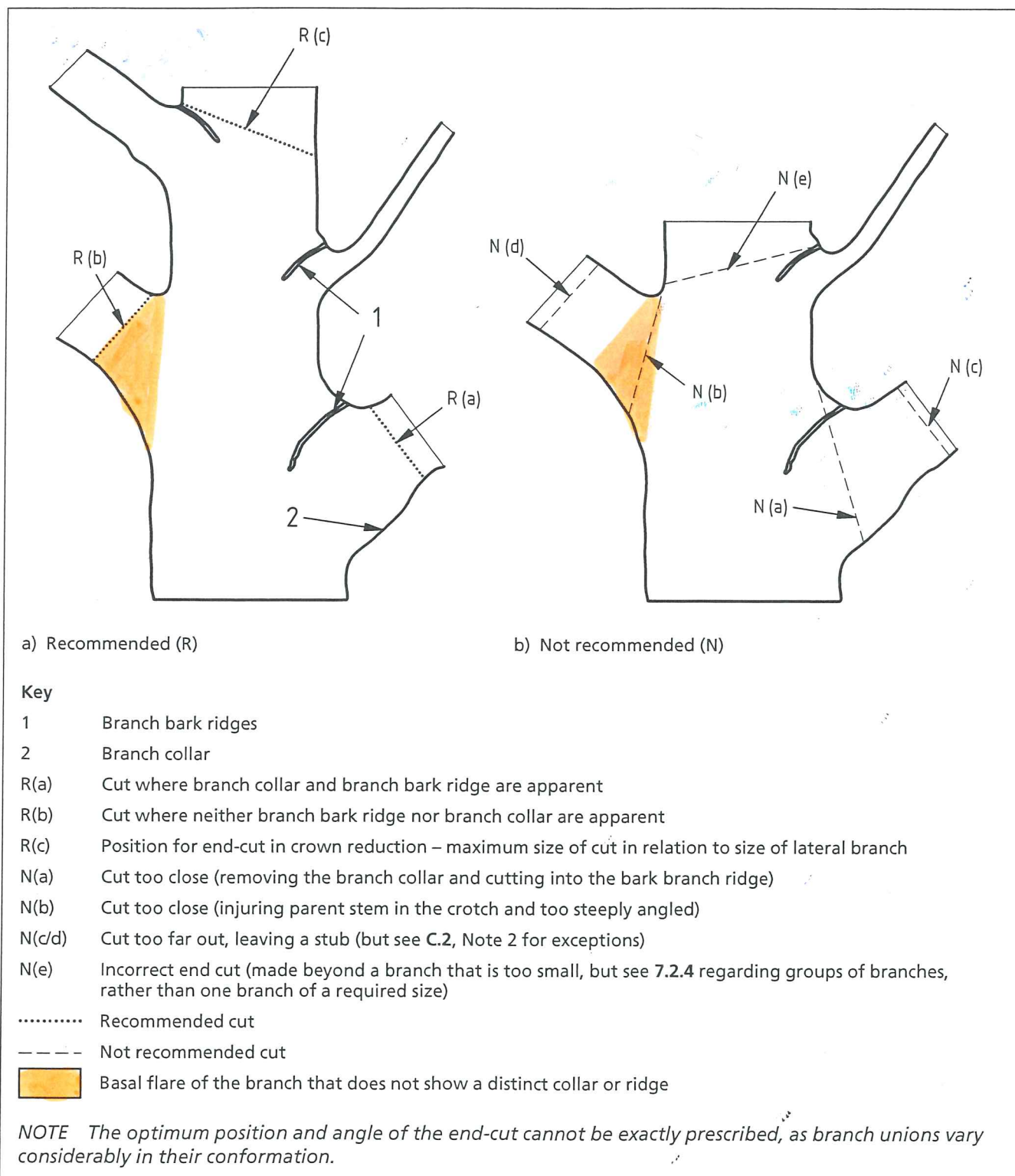


Figure 3 Crown lifting

