

CONSULTEE RESPONSE (Council's Arboriculturist)

Date inspected: 16 June 2022

Case Officer: Hannah Kersley
Reference: P/79/22/T
Location: 20 Spinnaker View, Pagham, PO21 3FL
Proposal: 1no. Lombardy poplar (T1) reduce spread of tree to 8m. Height to remain the same at 20m.
Reason given: To reduce risk of lower limbs failing in the future

Comments on Application:

Lombardy poplar / *Populus nigra Italica* Height: 20-25m Radial spread: 5-10m Age class: Mature

There are two distinctly separate trees of the same type and stature growing close as to form a shared crown profile. It is not clear which tree is proposed for work (T1).

Outwardly and from a distance (roadside) they appear to be in a fine physiological state and assumed to be so in the absence of any evidence provided to the contrary.

Conclusions:

The applicant has employed RS Landscapes as agent, to prepare and submit a tree survey and plan. Unfortunately they do not describe or illustrate which of the two trees is subject of the proposal.

The applicant/agent should submit a new application which clearly defines the tree(s) to be worked on and adequately describes/illustrates (photographs could be helpful) those branches to be shortened.

Recommendation:

I recommend **REFUSAL** for this application.

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