

Planning Officer: Miss Z Toppin

Planning Application Ref: R/171/20/T

Location: 11 Winchester Road, Rustington, BN16 3RH

Description of works: Reduce crown spread of 2No. lime trees to 4.5m to the south

Reasons given: Property overhang / garden shading

Comments on Application:

2x Lime / *Tilia sp.* Height: 10-15m Spread: 0-5m Age class: Early mature

- Outwardly and from a distance both trees appear generally stable and in fair physiological condition at this time. They are important constituents of a linear group of established lime trees which are a significant landscape feature.
- The work proposed is justified on arboricultural grounds. These are high profile trees of significant visual amenity and are to be carefully pruned to maintain reasonable enjoyment of residential property and with respect for natural tree form.

Conclusions:

- If the work is undertaken to a high standard and in accordance with British Standard recommendations, there will be negligible harm to the trees ongoing health and vitality.
- There should be no loss of visual 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

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

