

Planning Officer : Damian Sullivan

Planning Application Ref: R/253/13/T now R/18/14/T

Location : 50 Sea Avenue, Sea Estate, Rustington

Description of work: Corsican Pine (Pinus nigra 'Maritima')

Reasons Given: Safety of owners and clearance above drive and garden

Recommendation:

NO Objection	X	Comment	X	Dead & Dangerous	
Object		Recommendation	X	Abate a Nuisance	
Conditions Suggested		CA & Amenity Value		Tree Replacement required	

Original Comments On Application:

Corsican Pine Height = av 15m Avge radial spread = 4 to 6m Age = Early Mature

- The branch spread on the house side is around 6m and to shorten these branches by 3m to 4m would be well in excess of 50% and greater than is shown on the photographs which they have submitted.
- This would leave the branches almost devoid of any live foliage.
- I would advise no more than 1.5m to 2m maximum reduction of the four lowest limbs on the house side of the tree.
- I noted that there is a lot of dead wood of varying diameters throughout the crown of this tree and it is my theory that this rather than live branches is what has fallen in the past and I would advise that this dead wood is cleaned out to make the tree safe.

Owner has now applied for the following works:

- Remove all dead wood
- Shorten the four lowest lateral branches on the house side of the tree only by between 1.5m to 2m as appropriate to ensure that all final cuts are made adjacent to a living growth point and under no circumstances are stubs devoid of live foliage to be left.

Conclusions:

I recommend **acceptance** on the grounds that the works applied for are exactly as I recommended in my previous report.

Also recommend that the pruning guidance sheet from BS3998:2010 is sent out with the acceptance letter.

Bernie Harverson

Consultant Arboriculturist

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts

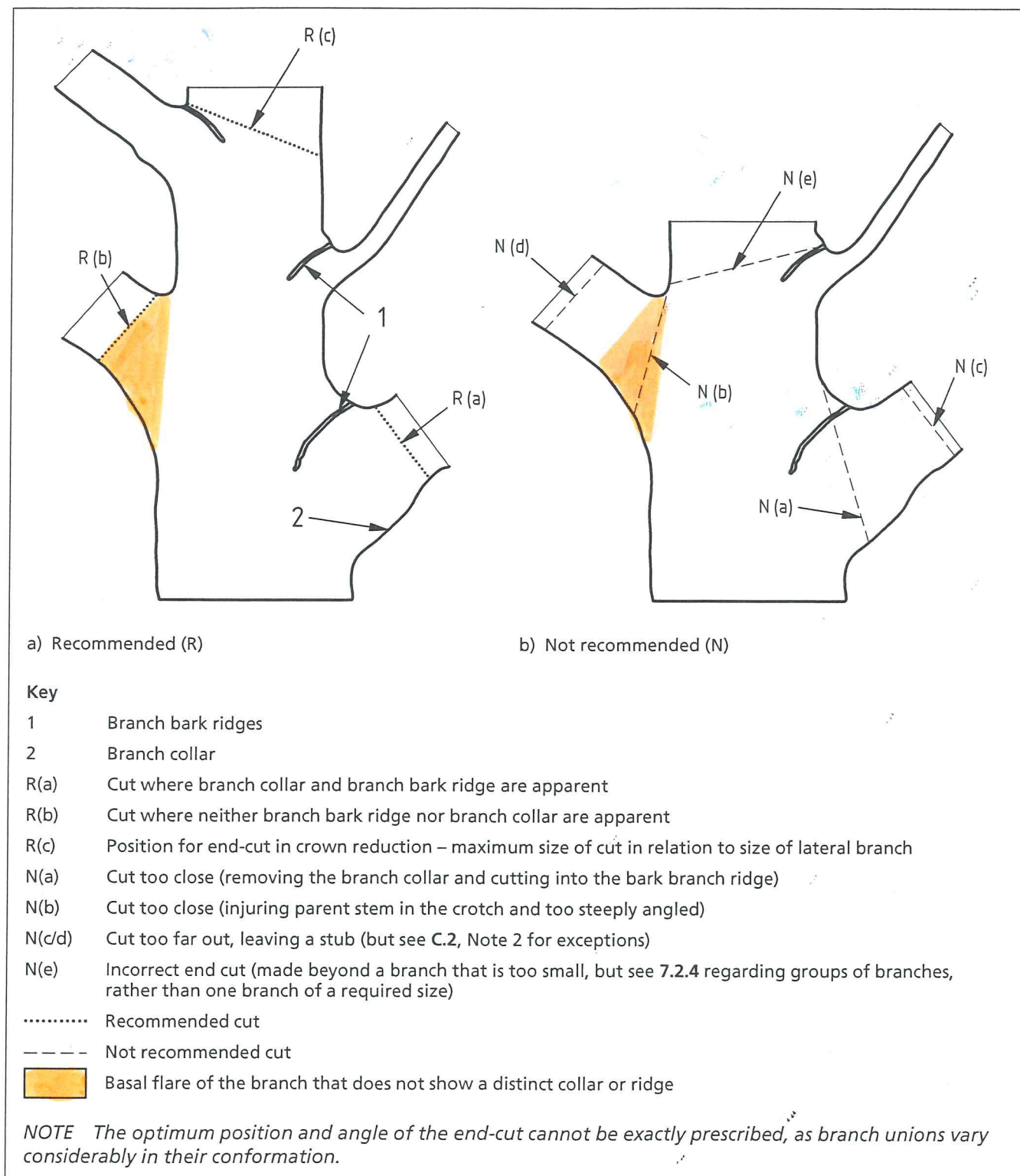


Figure 3 Crown lifting

