

Planning Officer: Miss K Welch

Planning Application Ref: R/201/21/T

Location: Woodland adj. to Cowdray Drive, Rustington, BN16 3SJ

Description of works: Various works to various trees

Reason given: General maintenance

Comments on Application:

- I have considered this application by means of a desktop review, using the information and plans submitted as well as online resources. Previous consideration of woodland trees from site (June 2021) and familiarity with surrounding area adds further insight to the proposal.
- The applicant has employed TTC – Total Tree Care 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.
- The removal of dead branches is an exception and does not require permission.

Conclusions:

- The work proposed is justified on arboricultural grounds. Many of these trees are important constituents of a significant public and visual amenity, and which are to be carefully pruned to remove hazardous material and ensure adequate clearance over public highway.
- 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

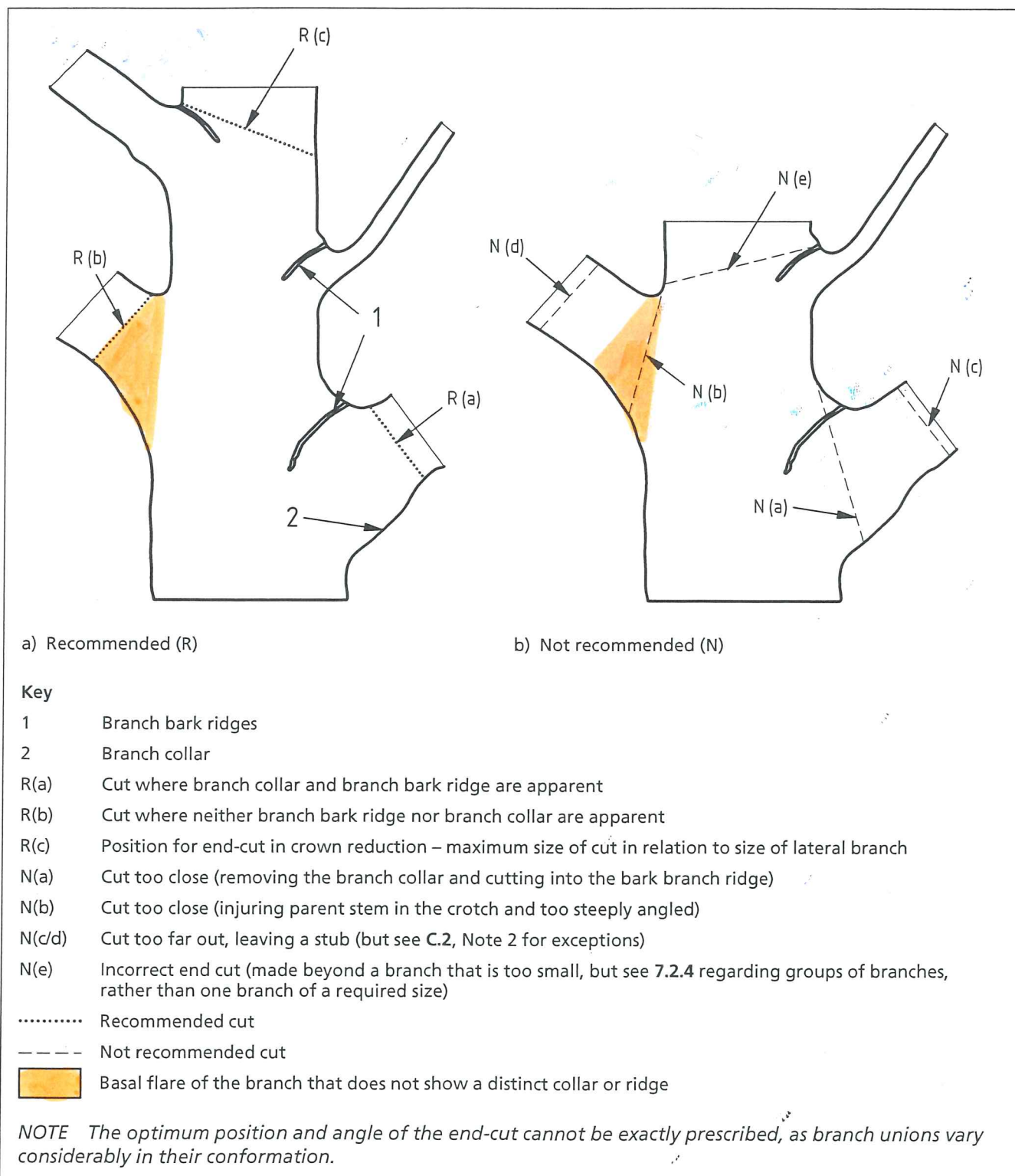


Figure 3 Crown lifting

