

Planning Officer: Miss K Welch

Planning Application Ref: R/229/21/T

Location: 38 The Street, Rustington, BN16 3NX

Description of works: Fell 1no. purple plum tree and 1no. holm oak tree

Reasons given: To facilitate installation of utility apparatus. To enhance driveway/access

Comments on Application:

T1 Purple-leaved plum / *Prunus cerasifera* cv. Height: 0-5m Radial spread: 0-5m Age class: Young

T2 Holm oak / *Quercus ilex* Height: 0-5m Radial spread: 0-5m Age class: Young

- I have considered this application by means of a desktop review, using the information and plans submitted as well as online resources.
- There is one Tree Preservation Order affecting this plot – TPO/R/2/90. I have not been able to access the supporting Schedule and Plan. The plot is wholly within Rustington Conservation Area.
- Both trees are small, of negligible public amenity value and contribute little if anything to the overall character of the area. There is a healthy population of long-established and emerging trees in the immediate area.

Conclusions:

- These are young trees of small stature offering little amenity to the surrounding area. They are unlikely to be the subject of a TPO and so ought to be considered only as existing within Conservation Area. That is assuming the stem diameters are greater than 75mm at 1m height, otherwise they would not have Statutory Protection.
- I am satisfied that the proposed works are justified and will not result in character of the surrounding area being diminished.
- I raise **No Objection** to the works that have been applied for and see no reason to make a Tree Preservation Order in this instance.

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team