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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town & Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012

Application No: WA/25/26/T
Site Address: Myrtle Cottage The Street Walberton BN18 0PJ
Description of works: Fell 1 No. Corsican Pine (Pinus Nigra) (T1).

Thank you for your internet representation made on 24th April 2026 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC83145

There is apparently nothing 'wrong' with the tree. As the Flint and brick wall was built to curve around the tree it's probably post dates the tree and is therefore not 'ancient'. There is evidence of inappropriate previous repairs to the wall in that cement mortar has been used. The areas of flint wall built with lime mortar have moved to accommodate the movement caused by the tree growth. It is quite possible to leave the tree as is and rebuild the wall using brick and flint in lime mortar, but incorporating helical stainless steel bands within the mortar beds that extend into the adjacent 'straight' sections of wall. The lime mortar will allow some flexing and movement without cracking, whilst the helical bar will provide additional strength and stability. One manufacturer that I have used with great success is 'Helibar' and their Technical Support is good.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish your comments including your name and address on the website. The website is updated once a day in the evening so it may take up to 24 hours for it appear on there. Please make sure that you have only provided information that you are happy will be published in this way. If you have supplied information belonging to a third party, you must make sure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website or on the file you will need to confirm this by emailing to planning@arun.gov.uk and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

The majority of applications are determined under delegated powers by officers. Further information on the decision making process can be found on the website at :<https://www.arun.gov.uk/what-happens-next>.

Some applications will be determined by the Planning Committee, and I shall write and inform you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking if this is the case. However, if your representation has been received after the agenda for the meeting has been finalised and the notifications have been generated, you will not receive notification. In this case, you will need to track the progress of the application on the council's website <https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search>

Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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If you have provided an email address, all correspondence including the decision notice will be sent by email. It is therefore important that you keep us informed if this changes during the course of this application.

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