

ADC PARKS & GREENSPACE ARBORICULTURE

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TO: Damian Sullivan

PLANNING APPLICATION: WA/37/14/TC

ADDRESS: Lodge Cottage The Street Walberton BN18 0PJ

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Prune back easterly lateral growth by 1.5 metres to 1 No Magnolia Grandiflora and 1 No Fig tree, fell and grub out dead and dying Leylandii and remove 1 No Purple Malus within the Walberton Village Conservation Area.

INSPECTION DATE: 15/8/14

RECOMMENDATION:

Objection ☐

No Objection ☒

Suggested Conditions ☐

Comment ☐

Recommendation ☒

Abate a Nuisance ☐

Tree Replacement ☐

Dead/Dangerous ☐

CA & Amenity Value ☐

Survey:

T-1

Species: Fig *figus* **Height:** 3 meters

T-2

Species: Magnolia spp **Height:** 6 meters

T-3

Species: Leyland cypress *Cupressus × leylandii* **Height:** 3 meters

T-4

Species: Purple *Malus* spp **Height:** 3.5 meters

Comments:

- Outlined trees are located in the high amenity area of Walberton village.
- All trees can be seen from the main road, due to their size however they have a limited impact on the landscape.
- **T-1** has leaned over significantly to the east, and would benefit from a reduction to allow apical growth to prevail.
- **T-2** has also got a lean to the east, should be rebalanced with an easterly reduction.

- **T-3** is in fair to poor condition. It has been pruned regularly, however foliage has started to die off in areas. It is also over a meter wide, and is encroaching into the garden area.
- **T-4** is in a poor condition, with less than 50% of the crown density you would expect from a healthy specimen of this species.
- Also the planting of a beech hedge along the boundary line would be in keeping with the landscape of the village, and arboriculturally speaking is sound practise.

Recommendation:

- It would therefore be my recommendation that this proposed application of works **should be allowed with the below conditions.**

Conditions

Crown Reduction

The Crown Reduction should not exceed the removal of single branch lengths which are greater than **1m** from the periphery of the original crown diameter. The branch removals should leave healthy substantial leaf bearing side branches. All side branches to be retained should be at least **1/3rd** in diameter of the removed branch. Pruning cuts must be flat and smooth, kept as small as possible by cutting at an optimum angle and should not exceed **100mm** in diameter.

REASON

'In order to ensure a satisfactory standard of tree surgery in the interests of retaining good health and amenity in accordance with policy GEN7 of the Arun District Local Plan'.

Condition To Be Applied to All Approved Works: -

Where whole branches are to be removed final cuts close to the trunk or branch union are to be made as shown in Figure 2 of BS3998:2010 and all shortened branches are to be cut at the correct angle (see also 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.

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