

Planning Officer: Charlotte Easton

Planning Application Ref: WA/74/18/T

Location: Walberton Place Nursing Home, Yapton Lane, Walberton, West Sussex BN18 0AS

Description of works: Various works to 7No. Lime, 5No. Sweet Chestnut, 3No. Oak & 1No. Sycamore

Reasons Given: Carriageway and building encroachment

Comments on Application:

- There are a large number of trees included in this proposal. The management recommendations within the submitted Tree Survey Schedule and supporting TPO Map (PJC Consultancy, July 2018) were simultaneously considered during my site assessment. The information contained therein appears accurate and I concur with the findings.
- No individual trees are worthy of specific comment for the purposes of reviewing this application; all can be satisfactorily considered for generic comment, as follows.
- There are a healthy number of individual trees of merit within this site, many of which form a cohesive high canopy that is prominent and visible from the surrounding area.

Conclusions:

- The proposed programme of work represents a balanced approach to accommodating the development and maintaining adequate site access for high-sided vehicles.
- The work proposed is justified and if undertaken to a high standard will not incur a noteworthy loss of amenity value to the surrounding area.

Recommendations:

- I recommend **CONSENT** for this application, subject to the following conditions being applied:

Conditions To Be Applied to All Approved Works: -

- 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
- 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

