

CONSULTEE RESPONSE (Council's Arboriculturist)

Date of inspection: 16th October 2026

Reference: WA/90/26/T

Proposal: Crown reduction (southern aspect) to 2 No. English Oak (T9 & T10) to leave branch lengths of 9m.

Location: The Primrose 6 Daffodil Gardens Walberton BN18 0XQ

Case Officer: Jonny Cooper

Reasons: None given

Comments on Application:

T9,T10 Oak/Quercus Sp.	Height-15-20	Radial spread-10-15	Age-Mature
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From a roadside visual assessment, both Oaks (T9 & T10) appear to be in good physiological and structural condition. The proposed crown reduction to leave branch lengths of 9m is not supported, as this would result in an unnecessary loss of live crown and could adversely affect the tree's natural form, future growth habit, and amenity value. Such a reduction may also stimulate increased epicormic and compensatory regrowth, potentially resulting in a need for more frequent future management whilst placing unnecessary stress on the trees. However, I would be supportive of limited pruning where necessary to provide appropriate clearance from the roof of the dwelling.

Conclusion:

I would be happy for works to be limited to achieving approximately 2 metres of clearance from the roof of the dwelling on **T10** only, with all pruning cuts made back to suitable growth points. This approach will address the need for building clearance whilst retaining the trees' natural form, amenity value, and long-term health. All works should be undertaken in accordance with BS3998:2010 Tree Work - Recommendations.

Recommendation:

As it stands, I am unable to support this application. I would like the applicant to be invited to agree to a revised proposal for lesser works (*such as described below*) as part of the current application so as not to incur further delay. Such work would go some way to addressing the applicant's concerns whilst ensuring no detriment to tree health or loss of amenity:

T10 Oak – Prune branches to achieve a maximum clearance of 2m from building and fixtures.

If the applicant agrees to the above revision, then I would be able to recommend APPROVAL subject to the following condition:

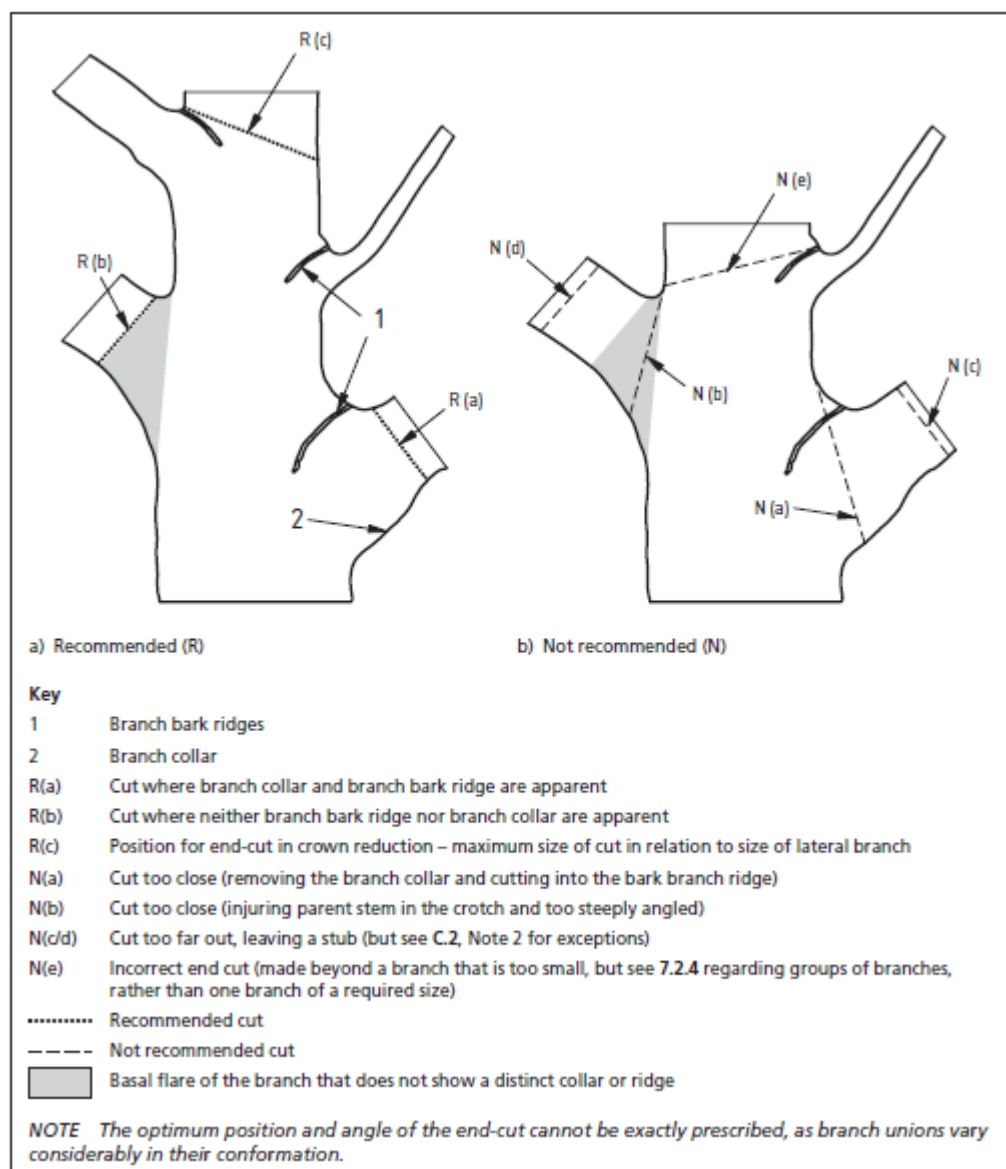
Part a) Where whole branches are to be removed and final cuts made close to the trunk or branch union they are to be made as shown in Figure 2 of BS3998:2010

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.

Reason: In the interest of the tree's continued health and vitality and to accord with current industry guidelines and sound arboricultural practice.

Cameron Coe
Assistant Tree Officer
Environment and Climate Change

Figure 2 Positions of final cuts



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Hello Jonny,

Please find attached tree report.

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