

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/24/2615	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	Turkey Oak Tree - Reduce crown by 2m. Leylandii trees along left side of house - Fell.		
Site:	Knowles Farmhouse, Street Lane, Ardingly, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 6UJ, ,		
Validation Date	26 Nov 2024	Overall Expiry Date:	17 Dec 2024
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	28 Nov 2024
Target Date:	7 Jan 2025	Recommending Officer Signature:	Emma Rivett

Date Legal Agreement Completed: (if applicable)		No of Representations:	0
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Signed and Agreed By:	Beth Howland-Smith	Date:	19 Dec 2024
Comments:			

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Suzannah Priest**

The proposed work is as described.

The description has been edited to remove the Gleditsia, which required deadwood removing from it. Notification is not required for the removal of deadwood. This was explained to the applicant at the site visit.

It was further edited to change the species of the trees to the side of the house, as they had been misidentified in the initial description. They are leylandii, as identified at the site visit.

The turkey oak is in the back garden of the property and overhangs the access to the stables and fields to the rear. It is partially visible from the public highway, due to the presence of other trees and the placement of the farmhouse itself. To reduce this tree by 2m will enable vehicles to pass underneath it, without damaging branches, and will not be detrimental to the tree.

The leylandii are a group of trees that are growing into the overhead powerlines and BT cables. The electricity pole and stay wire is within the trees and some of the branches are in contact with the roof of the property.

These trees should have been managed as a hedge a long time ago and have now grown into and around the pole and cables. They have gone beyond taking them back to hedge height as most of the growth is at the top of the trees. There is not much else that can be done to make these trees safe, apart from fell them.

Replanting a native hedge has been suggested to the applicant at the site visit but this can not be enforced for a TCA notification.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett