

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/2563	Case Officer:	Irene Fletcher
Application Type:	Tree Surgery		
Proposal:	(T1) Sweet Chestnut - Coppice to approximately 2m to live growth. (T2) Oak - Remove lowest secondary branch over car park area back to primary limb and reduce limb closest to house back to primary stem, approximately 3-4m		
Site:	Thatchetts, 76 Keymer Road, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 8QP, , ,		
Validation Date	9 Oct 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	3 Nov 2025
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	Permission	Recommendation Date:	10 Nov 2025
Target Date:	4 Dec 2025	Recommending Officer Signature:	Irene Fletcher

Date Legal Agreement Completed: (if applicable)		No of Representations:	0
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Signed and Agreed By:	Beth Howland-Smith	Date:	13 Nov 2025
Comments:			

MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL

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secondary branch over car park area back to primary limb and reduce limb closest to house back
to primary stem, approximately 3-4m
Mr Jarrett**

Permission is sought for the works as described.

This application has been the subject of a pre application visit.

The sweet chestnut is an old coppice, fronting Keymer Road. It is multi stemmed and there is considerable disease/decay present in the stems. It would not be appropriate to carry out work to some stems and not the others, therefore, it is considered that re coppicing the tree is the safest option to address these issues. Whilst it will lose some amenity value in the short term, in the long term it is hoped that it can be safely retained and will contribute to the quality of the street scene in the future.

The oak is also located to the front of the property, but is set much further back and has less amenity value. Two limbs extend towards the roof of the property and over the car parking area. Both are over extended and may pose a risk/cause damage to the roof in the future. There will be limited impact on the long term health or amenity value of the tree.

Permission is recommended.

Decision: Permission

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher