

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/26/0746	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	Red Oak (T1) - Monolith, Oak (T2) Crown reduce by 2m, Oak (T3) (AOD)- Monolith, Beech (T4) Crown reduce by 2m Oak Tree (T5) - Crown reduce by 2m		
Site:	Meadow Cottage, Rose Cottage Lane, Staplefield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 6EP, ,		
Validation Date	23 Mar 2026	Overall Expiry Date:	16 Apr 2026
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	13 Apr 2026
Target Date:	4 May 2026	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:	21 Apr 2026
Comments:			

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Mr Tom Abounader**

The proposed work is as described.

T1 Oak - This tree has significant basal decay and is colonised by several decay fungi. Due to the high potential for failure and the proximity of this tree to the road, a monolith was agreed, which would significantly reduce the risk of failure, whilst retaining the ecological value of the tree.

T2 Oak - This tree overhangs the road and is in the far corner of the garden. A 2m crown reduction would alleviate pressure on the root plate and make the tree more manageable in its location, whilst allowing more space for adjacent trees.

T3 Oak - This tree is in the latter stages of Acute Oak Decline. It is dying back and the best option for this tree would be to monolith, which will reduce the risk of failure, whilst retaining the ecological value.

T4 Beech - This tree is at the end of the garden on the boundary between the garden and the adjacent field. It is growing into adjacent trees and would benefit from a reduction to allow more space for adjacent trees.

T5 Oak - This tree is adjacent to the beech and for similar reasons would benefit from a reduction.

All of the proposed work will be suitable and appropriate to the species. The monoliths are required on safety grounds.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett