

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/2475	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	T 278: Oak - Reduce crown by 2m, height of 17m, lateral branch lift of 9m. T 284: Copper Beech - fell. T 296: Oak - Reduce branch from tear out wound by 2m, leaving finish length of 9 m. Reduce back branch to match.		
Site:	Burgess Hill School For Girls, Keymer Road, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 0EG, , ,		
Validation Date	1 Oct 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	23 Oct 2025
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	13 Oct 2025
Target Date:	12 Nov 2025	Recommending Officer Signature:	Emma Rivett

Date Legal Agreement Completed: (if applicable)		No of Representations:	0
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Signed and Agreed By:	Steven King	Date:	29 Oct 2025
Comments:			

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Richard Moses**

The proposed work is as described.

T278 is an oak on the northern boundary of the school, adjacent to Silverdale Road. It is visible from the public realm. There is some decay in the main stem of this tree and the recommendations would be to reduce the tree to reduce the pressure on the stem. The tree has adequate structural support, currently and the proposed reduction will help to manage and retain the tree.

T296 is a beech tree on the front lawn of the school. It is in a prominent position and overhangs the footpath at the front of the buildings. Kretzschmaria deusta is present at the base of this tree. This is a fast acting, basal decay fungi which can windthrow or stem snap. Due to the high target area of this tree, the only safe option here is to fell it. No remedial work can be carried out to make the tree safe.

T296 is an oak in the back of the school and this one has limited views from the public realm. The proposed work is an acceptable reduction and will reduce the limbs growing out of a previously damaged stem, with some decay. This will alleviate the pressure on this potential weak point in the tree.

All of the proposed work is good management for these trees. The beech needs to be felled as soon as possible, and the work to the oaks will be good maintenance for these trees.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett