

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/1841	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	Beech Tree (T1) - Fell.		
Site:	The Lodge Hapstead House, 106 High Street, Ardingly, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 6TD, ,		
Validation Date	17 Jul 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	8 Aug 2025
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	5 Aug 2025
Target Date:	28 Aug 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:	15 Aug 2025
Comments:			

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**The Lodge Hapstead House, 106 High Street, Ardingly, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 6TD,
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Mrs Deborah Ruse

The proposed work is to fell a beech tree.

The tree is visible from the highway and pavement but would not be worthy of TPO. It has an excessive lean and most of the foliage is one sided. This is due to the presence of another tree, previously felled due to disease. The beech has lost quite a lot of bark on the main stem and there is no callus forming. This would suggest that there is low vitality and could indicate the presence of Beech Bark disease. Beech bark disease can affect the structural integrity of the tree in the latter stages. It was also noted that there was evidence of some decay in the lower stem also.

Felling this tree would remove the risk of it failing, which would be inevitable.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett