

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/1789	Case Officer:	Irene Fletcher
Application Type:	Tree Surgery		
Proposal:	Silver Birch (T1) - Remove. Horse Chestnuts (T2 - T4) Remove		
Site:	2 The Croft, Harwoods Lane, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 4NQ, , ,		
Validation Date	14 Jul 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	5 Aug 2025
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	Permission	Recommendation Date:	14 Aug 2025
Target Date:	8 Sep 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:	15 Aug 2025
Comments:			

MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Mrs Smith**

Permission is sought for the works as described.

This application has been the subject of a pre application visit where the trees were examined in detail.

They are located in a prominent position, above, and fronting, Harwoods Lane, where they are visible from some distance away. There are 4 horse chestnuts within the group. One is almost dead and the others show visible and significant symptoms of bleeding canker, including basal decay, loss of bark and scarring and bleeding. It is the propensity of trees in this condition to drop limbs. As the trees lean heavily towards the road and power lines, as well as almost reaching the roof of the neighbouring property, it is considered that they pose a high risk to road users, as well as the adjacent property. One mature horse chestnut within the group has been retained, and it is hoped that this specimen will survive. This is the most prominent tree.

The birch is located close to the access drive to the property and is completely dead.

Permission is recommended.

Decision: Permission

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher