

## Delegated Decision

### Sign off Sheet

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| <b>Ref. No:</b>                              | DM/26/1533                                                                                                                                                       | <b>Case Officer:</b>                   | Emma Rivett |
| <b>Application Type:</b>                     | Trees in a Conservation Area                                                                                                                                     |                                        |             |
| <b>Proposal:</b>                             | T1 Conifer - remove large lower limbs. T2, T3, T4 and T5 - Leylandii: Remove lower limbs and reduce crown at top and house facing side by no more than 2 metres. |                                        |             |
| <b>Site:</b>                                 | Ashurst, Abberton Field, Hurstpierpoint, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 9QD, ,                                                                                       |                                        |             |
| <b>Validation Date</b>                       | 22 Jun 2026                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Overall Expiry Date:</b>            | 14 Jul 2026 |
| <b>Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:</b> |                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:</b> |             |
| <b>Recommendation:</b>                       | No Objection                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Recommendation Date:</b>            | 8 Jul 2026  |
| <b>Target Date:</b>                          | 3 Aug 2026                                                                                                                                                       | <b>Recommending Officer Signature:</b> | Emma Rivett |

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| <b>Date Legal Agreement Completed: (if applicable)</b> |  | <b>No of Representations:</b> | 1 |
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| <b>Signed and Agreed By:</b> | Stephen Ashdown | <b>Date:</b> | 23 Jul 2026 |
| <b>Comments:</b>             |                 |              |             |

## MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL

**DM/26/1533**

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reduce crown at top and house facing side by no more than 2 metres.  
Mr Samuel Brown**

The proposed work is as described.

T1 is in the front garden of the property, and the proposed work will raise the lower branches. This would allow more light through to the lawn and would not be of detriment to the health of the tree.

T2 - T5 are a row of leylandii which have not been reduced in height before. They have grown taller than the house and some branches are in contact with the building. The proposed work would remove branches from the building and make them able to be managed as a hedge in the future.

All the work would be suitable and appropriate for the species and for the condition of the trees.

Whilst the neighbour comments have been noted, excessive pruning would promote reactive growth and the proposed reduction is suitable for these species at one time.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett