

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/1320	Case Officer:	Irene Fletcher
Application Type:	Tree Surgery		
Proposal:	3 x multi stemmed ash - fell, 3 x holly - reduce by 1-2m to growth points, multi stemmed hazel trees - coppice.		
Site:	6 Portsmouth Wood, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 2DH, , ,		
Validation Date	20 May 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	11 Jun 2025
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	Permission	Recommendation Date:	23 Jun 2025
Target Date:	15 Jul 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:	23 Jun 2025
Comments:			

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Permission is sought for the works as described.

This application has been the subject of a pre app visit, where the trees were looked at in detail.

The trees form a line fronting Portsmouth wood and screening the property, to an extent, from the road. They grow closely together and this has resulted in poor individual specimens, although the trees provide valuable screening and enhance the street scene.

The ash trees suffer from advanced ash die back and will not recover. The hollies, originally understorey, have become drawn and sparse and will benefit from a reduction, which will encourage better growth. The hazels will also benefit from coppicing. They are currently overgrown and are in danger of self coppicing.

The amenity and screening value of the trees will be retained and there will be limited impact on the long term health of the trees.

Permission is recommended.

Decision: Permission

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher