

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/26/0424	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	T1 Maple - Reduce canopy by 1.5m to suitable growth points and crown lift to 3m. T2 Judas Tree - Section fell to ground level. T3 Cypress - Reduce in height by 2m to form a matching height. T4 Liquid Amber - Reduce canopy by 2m to suitable growth points, crown lift to 2.5m and crown thin by removing crossing rubbing branches by 10%.		
Site:	St Nicholas Court, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 2EY, , ,		
Validation Date	18 Feb 2026	Overall Expiry Date:	12 Mar 2026
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	6 Mar 2026
Target Date:	1 Apr 2026	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:	18 Mar 2026
Comments:			

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Mrs Sandra Fowlie**

The proposed work is as described. The description has been edited as T5-cherry was not present on site. All the trees are within the gardens of some retirement apartments. The development is tucked away behind a school and not visible from the public realm.

T1 is a maple which is adjacent to the footpath to the apartments. It has been reduced before and the proposed work would not take it back to beyond previous cut points. This would be good management for this tree and is necessary due to previous works dictating the requirement for regular pruning back of regrowth.

T2 is a judas tree which has outgrown its location. It has a wide spreading crown and a multitemmed form. Some of the forks are showing signs of stress, due to the weight of the limbs, which are now considered weak points. This tree would not be worthy of TPO, and removal and replacement would be best in this case.

T3 is a cypress which has grown too tall for its situation. The reduction would bring it back to a more manageable size.

T4 is a Liquidambar which has outgrown its situation. The proposed work is to reduce the tree by 2m, which would keep it manageable and prevent the branches from damaging the buildings.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett