

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/2954	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	Oak - overhanging footpath at 147-153 Hoblands - reduce major branch by 2m, another branch by 2m and a further branch by 1-2m.		
Site:	363 Franklands Village, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3RP, , , ,		
Validation Date	27 Jan 2026	Overall Expiry Date:	20 Feb 2026
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	23 Feb 2026
Target Date:	10 Mar 2026	Recommending Officer Signature:	Emma Rivett

Date Legal Agreement Completed: (if applicable)		No of Representations:	2
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Signed and Agreed By:	Beth Howland-Smith	Date:	24 Feb 2026
Comments:			

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Mrs Dori Watmore**

The proposed works has been edited to reflect a lesser, more appropriate reduction, following an email conversation with the applicant. The initial description was for 6 to 7 metres on an oak, which is excessive.

The proposed work is as described.

The oak is in the back garden of 363 Franklands Village, but is visible from Hoblands, which is the road behind number 363. It also overhangs a footpath.

The proposed work would reduce some of the overhang and appease some of the neighbour complaints, by reducing the tree away from their properties, whilst not being of detriment to the health of the tree.

Acorns fall from oak trees as part of nature and there is nothing that can be done to address this issue. The landowner sweeps them up when they fall as often as possible. Acorns falling is not a reason to fell a tree.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett