

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/3208	Case Officer:	Irene Fletcher
Application Type:	Tree Surgery		
Proposal:	2 x Conifers - Fell. 2 x Willows - Coppice. Hazel - Coppice.		
Site:	30 West Common Drive, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 2AW, , ,		
Validation Date	16 Dec 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	6 Jan 2026
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	Permission	Recommendation Date:	14 Jan 2026
Target Date:	10 Feb 2026	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:	14 Jan 2026
Comments:			

MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL

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**30 West Common Drive, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 2AW, ,
2 x Conifers - Fell. 2 x Willows - Coppice. Hazel - Coppice.
Mrs Doltery**

Permission is sought for the works as described.

This application has been the subject of a pre app visit.

The trees are located within a small, wooded area at the bottom of the rear garden. A small stream flows through, and there is a residential development on the other side, including an access way.

The two willows now extend over the stream and are at risk of breakage and impacting the path on the other side. These are brittle trees, liable to breakage. Coppicing will allow them to be retained safely and is good woodland management. The hazel has begun to self coppice and works will reduce the risk from this understorey tree.

The conifers appear to have been planted much later and are small, stunted specimens, due to growing within a woodland environment to which they are unsuited. Two have already fallen. Their removal now will prevent a higher risk in the future.

Due to lack of space within the woodland, only one replacement tree will be required by condition.

Permission is recommended.

Decision: Permission

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher