

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/25/0054	Case Officer:	Irene Fletcher
Application Type:	Tree Surgery		
Proposal:	x7 Ash trees - fell as close to ground level as possible. Crown reduce Sycamore trees from neighbouring property overhanging Woodlands House by 1-2m and vegetation by 1-2 metres.		
Site:	Woodlands House, Birch Avenue, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 7SL, ,		
Validation Date	9 Jan 2025	Overall Expiry Date:	31 Jan 2025
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	Permission	Recommendation Date:	4 Feb 2025
Target Date:	6 Mar 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:	5 Feb 2025
Comments:			

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Keith Caddick**

Permission is sought for the works as described.

The ash are located within a wooded area, within the large garden of the detached property. Public visibility is limited but the trees are mature specimens, mainly around the perimeter, which are adjacent to the boundaries of neighbouring gardens. All exhibit symptoms of ash die back and are heavily ivy clad. Due to growing in close proximity, the disease has spread rapidly and the trees are unlikely to recover.

The sycamore is protected by Conservation Area status. It is a mature specimen which overhangs the roof of the property. It makes little/no contribution to the Conservation Area. No objection is raised to its reduction.

Whilst the loss of the ash trees will be noticeable, nevertheless, safety must take priority and the high target area makes these trees a high risk.

Subject to replacement, permission is recommended.

Decision: Permission

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher