

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/26/1094	Case Officer:	Irene Fletcher
Application Type:	Tree Surgery		
Proposal:	Chamaecyparis (conifer) - Fell		
Site:	Orchard House, St Georges Place, Hurstpierpoint, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 9QT, ,		
Validation Date	30 Apr 2026	Overall Expiry Date:	26 May 2026
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	Permission	Recommendation Date:	26 May 2026
Target Date:	25 Jun 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:	2 Jun 2026
Comments:			

MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL

DM/26/1094

**Orchard House, St Georges Place, Hurstpierpoint, Hassocks, West Sussex, BN6 9QT,
Chamaecyparis (conifer) - Fell
Mr And Mrs Tantam**

Permission is sought for the works as described.

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

The tree is a mature, multi stemmed conifer located to the front of the property. This, and neighbouring properties are surrounded by trees, so it is not a highly visible feature.

Around 60% of the tree is dead, and, due to the species, will not recover; the dead wood, will never become needle bearing again and will remain brown, while the rest of the tree continues to decline.

Although there is no obvious cause, the surrounding soil appears to contain a lot of rubble, and it is possible that following, the extremely long dry summer last year, that the tree has succumbed to drought.

It is considered favourable to fell the tree and secure a replacement specimen, which will provide some biodiversity and longevity for the future.

Permission is recommended.

Decision: Permission

Case Officer: Irene Fletcher