

Delegated Decision

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Ref. No:	DM/26/0392	Case Officer:	Emma Rivett
Application Type:	Trees in a Conservation Area		
Proposal:	T3 - Sycamore - Remove stump. T6 - Conifer - Fell. T7 - Ash - Reduce by 2m. T8 - Silver Birch - reduce by 2m. T9 - Common Hazel (located at 4 Lucas Way) - prune back canopy away from garden by up to 2.5m. T10 - Yew - prune back canopy by up to 1m. T11 - Yew - prune back canopy by up to 1m. T12 - Sycamore - prune back canopy by up to 1m. T13 Ash-Fell (ADB)		
Site:	5 And 4 Lucas Way, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 1JR, , , ,		
Validation Date	11 Mar 2026	Overall Expiry Date:	1 Apr 2026
Pre-Commencement Conditions Required:		Pre-Com Conditions Date Agreed:	
Recommendation:	No Objection	Recommendation Date:	18 Mar 2026
Target Date:	22 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:	Stephen Ashdown	Date:	2 Apr 2026
Comments:			

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Jenny Tata**

The proposed work is as described. The description was edited as some of the trees were already included on a valid decision notice, a couple are shrubs and not trees and do not need to be included on a TCA notification. Further, it was noted at the site visit that one tree, not previously included on the application, was in a poor condition and needed to be removed for safety reasons. It is an ash with advanced ash dieback, which overhangs the adjacent property. For this reason, the application was readvertised.

All the trees are in the back garden of the property and have limited views from the public realm.

T3 is a sycamore, which was felled previously but not treated. As a result, the regrowth means that to fell and remove the remains of this tree, it needs to be considered. There are no views of this tree from the public realm and so therefore, it is not worthy of TPO.

T6 is a cypress growing in amongst some other vegetation. It is in the back garden of the property and has no views from the public realm. The removal of this tree will allow more light through for other species.

T7 is an ash which sits near the fence separating this garden from that of the neighbour. It has been previously reduced, and the proposed work would not take it to beyond previous cut points.

T8 is a silver birch which has also been previously reduced. The proposed work would not take it back beyond the previous cut points.

T9, T10, T11 and T12 are trees in the adjacent property which overhangs the boundary. The proposed work would reduce these trees back to prevent them overhanging. It would not be detrimental to these trees and would be permitted under common law, if it was not protected by Conservation Area status.

T13 is the additional tree, an ash in the late stages of advanced ash dieback. It is better to fell this tree now, as it poses a safety risk due to the disease.

All the proposed work is acceptable in arboricultural terms.

No objection is recommended.

Decision: No Objection

Case Officer: Emma Rivett