

Mr Darren Tancred
Hawker House
Independent Business Park

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)
(TREE PRESERVATION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012**

PART APPROVED AND PART REFUSED

REFERENCE: DM/25/0729

DESCRIPTION: REMOVAL OF LAWSON CYPRESS IDENTIFIED AS T12C12 AND T11C12. REMOVAL OF BEECH IDENTIFIED AS T13U

LOCATION: FORMER ST FRANCIS HOSPITAL, COWELL ROAD, HAYWARDS HEATH, WEST SUSSEX

DECISION DATE: 29 APR 2025

CASE OFFICER: IRENE FLETCHER - IRENE.FLETCHER@MIDSUSSEX.GOV.UK

The Council **GRANTS** consent to remove the Beech tree subject to the following conditions with reasons:

1. The tree works hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 2 years from the date of this consent.

Reason: To accord with section 17 (4) of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.

2. Prior to the commencement of the tree works hereby permitted, a replacement tree shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Details shall include the size, species and siting of the replacement tree. The replacement trees shall be planted in accordance with the approved details in the first planting season following the removal of the tree hereby permitted. If within a period of 5 years from the date of planting of the replacement trees, any replacement tree is removed, uprooted, or destroyed or dies, or becomes, in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority seriously diseased, damaged or defective, another replacement tree of the same size and species of that originally planted shall be planted at the same place.

Reason: In order to comply with Policy DP37 of the Mid Sussex District Plan 2014-2031.

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1. Prior to the commencement of the works hereby permitted, checks shall be made for the presence of nesting birds and other wildlife protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

The Council **REFUSES** consent to the removal of the Lawson cypress x 2 for the following reason:

1. There is no evidence to justify the removal of the trees and the proposal is therefore contrary to Policy DP37 of the Mid Sussex District Plan 2014 - 2031.



Ann Biggs
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