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Development Control – Delegated Officer Report

Application Number: ADC/0133/09 **Recommendation - Application Permitted**

Site: **The Lambing Field St Nicolas Lane Shoreham-by-Sea West Sussex**

Proposal: **Thin and crown reduce (by 25%) ornamental cherry at rear (6 weeks prior notice of works to tree in Conservation Area)**

The Application

A section 211 notification has been submitted, giving six weeks prior notice of the intention to thin and reduce by 25% an ornamental cherry tree in the north eastern corner of the rear garden of The Lambing Field, a detached dwelling in St Nicolas Lane, within the Shoreham Conservation Area.

Consultations and Representations

Consultations/Comments

Adur District Council: The Assistant Parks Manager recommends that the proposed works be permitted.

ADCAG: No objection

Third Parties

No representations received

Relevant Planning Policies and Guidance

Adopted Adur District Local Plan 1993-2006 (ADC 1996) (saved policies): AB23
Design Bulletin No.1 'Trees and Landscaping' (ADC 1996)
'Tree Preservation Orders: A Guide to the Law and Good Practice' (DETR 2000)

Planning Assessment

Policies

Local Plan policy AB23 states that Tree Preservation Orders will be made to safeguard existing trees in the District where their loss would have an adverse effect on the existing and future environment and its enjoyment by the public.

Trees

The Lambing Field is a detached house located on the north side of St Nicolas Lane. There are a number of large trees within the vicinity of the site, and there are currently three other outstanding applications for tree work on neighbouring properties under consideration.

The ornamental cherry tree is located in the rear of the applicant's garden and is one of several trees within the garden which contribute to the overall 'green' appearance of the area. The works to reduce and thin the tree would not harm this character.

The Council's Assistant Parks Manager has viewed the tree and has no objection to the proposed works. The cherry is not a tree that would normally be considered for TPO. Consequently, and given the protection afforded by its Conservation Area status, it is not considered expedient to serve a TPO in this case.

Recommendation

Do not make a TPO.

Case Officer: [redacted]

Date: 1/5/0[redacted]