Development Management – Delegated Officer Report **Date; 12/01/2026**

Application Number	**AWDM/1136/25**
Address	**9 Longlands Glade Worthing West Sussex BN14 9NR**
Proposal	**Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.47 of 2003 to reduce radial spread by up to 1.5 metres and crown lift up to 4.5 metres, one Larch tree T9.**

Date of site visit: 08/09/25

Neighbours checked: Y
Additional neighbour notifications: N
Site notice: (wider publicity / conservation area): Y

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The application refers to a large tall mature Larch tree located near the southwest corner of the front garden. The tree is a prominent part of the street scene and makes a contribution to the character and visual amenities of the area.

Consent is sought to reduce radial spread and crown lift one Larch tree T9.

The reasons for the works are primarily in the interests of safety, light issues and amenity value.

Consultations: None.

Representations: None received.

Relevant Planning History

2003: Worthing Tree Preservation order Number 47 of 2003 confirmed on 02/03/2004.

Planning Assessment

The tree is a large mature Larch growing in the slightly raised front garden, adjacent to the low retaining wall and the pavement of Longlands Glade. The tree is prominent to the area, and can be seen from many views.

The tree has a single stem to 2 metres that persists to within 1 to 2 metres of the top. The first limbs emerge from 4 metres and are wide spread with the ends supporting the low hanging secondary and tertiary branches. The main crown is dense and wide spread with some slightly over extended laterals.

The proposed works are to reduce radial spread by up to 1.5 metres and crown lift up to 4.5 metres. The works are to contain the spread of the tree, and to allow access and more light and air to pass beneath the crown.

These works in my opinion would be relatively minor in relation to the overall size, spread and crown form of the tree and would not significantly or adversely affect its appearance, amenity value, or its contribution to the character of the area.

Recommendation

APPROVE

Grant Consent, subject to the following Conditions:

1. Approved plans

2. The proposed works, hereby permitted, shall be restricted to those specified in the application only unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority and carried out within two years from the date of consent and in accordance with the British Standard BS 3998: 2010 Tree Work.

   Reason: *In the interest of visual amenity.*

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation?

No

Case Officer: JDS Date: 12/01/2026

Authorised by: Louise Prew Date: 12/01/2026