

Application Number **AWDM/0678/26**

Address **2 Arundel Road Salvington Worthing West Sussex BN12 4DP**

Proposal **Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.7 of 1999 to reduce crown height and radial spread by up to 2 metres, and crown lift up to 5 metres, Holm Oak tree T1.**

Date of site visit: 21/07/26

Neighbours checked: Y

Additional neighbour notifications: N

Site notice: (wider publicity / conservation area): N

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The application refers to a medium to large sized Holm Oak tree in the front garden, adjacent to the footpath and carriage way of the A27 Arundel Road. The tree is a part of an established number of trees, which are part of the street scene and make a contribution to the character and visual amenities of the area.

Consent is sought to reduce crown height and radial spread and crown lift the tree.

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

1999: Worthing Tree Preservation order Number 7 of 1999 confirmed on 14/01/00.

2002: Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.7 of 1999 to crown lift to 3 metres above ground level, one Holm Oak (T1).

2016: Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.7 of 1999 to crown lift up to 3 metres, reduce crown height and radial spread by up to 3 metres, and crown thin 25% one Holm Oak tree T1.

Planning Assessment

The tree is a mature Holm Oak growing in the front garden adjacent to main route way of the A27, and is one of a number of trees that line the main road. The tree is prominent to the area and can be seen from many views.

The tree is single stemmed to 3.75 metres, where it then divides into 4 main stems; three are mostly upright with one arching outward to the east. The centre of the tree is slightly open with some defoliated dead wood. The lower foliage emerges from near ground level. The main crown is dense

toward the perimeter and wide with some over laden secondary branches that are low hanging close to the property and near the main road.

The proposed works are to reduce crown height and radial spread by up to 2 metres, and crown lift up to 5 metres. The works are to contain the size and spread of the tree and allow access and allow 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: 28/07/2026

Authorised by: Jo Morin Date: 29.07.2026