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Development Control – Delegated Officer Report

Application Number: ADC/0332/07 **Recommendation – Permit Application**

Site: **33 Ravens Road Shoreham-by-Sea West Sussex BN43 5AJ**

Proposal: **Pollard large preserved poplar tree back to previous point and remove ivy from remaining stump (subject to TPO 162/2/66 SU)**

The Application

The application site is located in the built up area of Shoreham just beyond the edge of the Conservation Area. The application concerns a Poplar tree located within the rear garden of No. 33 Ravens Road. The tree is adjacent to the rear access road/track which runs to the rear of properties in Southdown Road, however there is also a single storey property, 'Hill Warbler' which fronts onto the access track and is directly opposite the Poplar tree which is the subject of this application.

The Poplar tree is subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO 162/2/66/SU). Permission is sought to pollard the tree back to previous point and remove ivy from remaining stump.

Consultations and Representations

Third Parties: - 1 letter of support from owner/occupiers of Hill Warbler opposite the site stating that they would like to see this work carried out as brambles are over the courtyard and leaves are blocking the soakaway.

Jeremy Sergeant – Assistant Parks Manager: - Recommends works to be permitted.

Relevant Planning Policies and Guidance

Adopted West Sussex Structure Plan 2001-2016 (WSCC 2005): DEV1, CH1
Adopted Adur District Local Plan 1993-2006 (ADC 1996): AG1, AB24

Planning Assessment

The tree which is the subject of this application was placed under a Tree Preservation Order in 1966. The tree was previously pollarded about 20 years ago. This is indicated by the long stems that emerge at about 5 metres.

The tree is set back from Mill Road to the north and is not clearly visible within the street scene. It is considered that the proposed works to re-pollard at the

same points as previously and the remove the Ivy will be acceptable in this case and it is recommended that this work is permitted.

Recommendation

APPROVE: -

Subject to:

1. C1Ciii (Standard TPO time limit)
2. C11M (Prior notification of implementation of work giving name of tree surgeon etc)

Case Officer...H Baker.....Date...14/7/07

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