Development Management – Delegated Officer Report **Date; 14/10/20**

Application Number	**AWDM/1316/20**
Address	**14 Alandale Road Sompting Lancing West Sussex BN15 0JU**
Proposal	**Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.1 of 2006 to Fell and replace one Pine tree T1.**

Date of site visit: 26/08/20

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The Pine tree T1 is one of few large mature trees in the area, which although not a prominent part of in the street scene, does make a contribution to the character and visual amenities of Alandale Road and the surrounding area.

Consent is sought to fell and replace the tree.

The reasons for the works are primarily in the interests of amenity value

Consultations: Letter sent to Sompting Parish Council who stated that they had no objection.

Representations: None received.

Relevant Planning History

2016: Adur Tree Preservation order Number 1 of 2016 confirmed on 07/11/2016.

2019: Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No. 1 of 2016 to fell and replace 1no. Pine (T1). Refused.

Planning Assessment

The Pine tree T1 is a medium to large sized early mature growing at the far eastern end of the rear garden of 14 Alandale Road, close to the boundary with 15 Hillside Road. The tree has a single stem that extends to 10 metres were it then forms a bushy slightly flattened top to the crown. The tree has severely deteriorated in condition since the last application in 2019 and is now completely defoliated.

The proposed works are to fell and replace the now dead tree.

These works in my opinion will be large in relation to the overall number of trees and a significant amount of change will take place. However the effect on the area will be compensated with the provision of a replacement tree.

Recommendation

Grant Consent, subject to the following Conditions:

1. The felling of the Pine tree T1 and its replacement shall be carried out in full within two years from the date of this consent and in accordance with details of the size species and position of the replacement tree planting to be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

   Reason: *In the interest of visual amenity.*

2 If within five years following replanting, the replacement tree dies or becomes seriously diseased, another tree of the same size and species shall be planted in a similar position during the next planting season following the removal of the replacement tree, unless the Local Planning Authority gives written approval to any variation.

   Reason: *In the interest of visual amenity.*

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation?

No

Case Officer: JDS Date: 14/10/2020

Authorised by: PB Date: 14/10/20