

Application Number **AWDM/1468/26**

Address **The New House Shirley Drive Worthing West Sussex BN14 9AX**

Proposal **Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.24 of 1994 to crown lift up to 6 metres, one Monterey Pine tree T1.**

Date of site visit: 29/01/26

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 early mature Monterey Pine growing near the southwest of the rear garden. The tree is a prominent part of the street scene and makes a significant contribution to the character and visual amenities of the area.

Consent is sought to crown lift, one Monterey Pine tree T1.

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

1987: Worthing Tree Preservation order Number 3 of 1987 confirmed on 01/09/1987.

2021: Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.24 of 1994 to fell and replace one Monterey Pine T1. Refused

Planning Assessment

The tree is a medium to large mature growing in the rear garden and the last remaining tree of group G1 of Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.3 of 1987. The tree is prominent to the area, and can be seen from many views.

The tree has a straight single stem that persists to 8 metres, where it then divides into two, each persisting to the top, with the first laterals emerging from 2.25 metres. The main crown is dense and wide spread with some slightly over extended laterals.

The proposed works are to crown lift up to 6 metres. The works are to 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: 05/02/2026

Authorised by: LPrew Date: 12/02/2026