DELEGATED APPLICATIONS
ASSESSMENT SHEET

APPLICATION No. and SITE: WB/11/0123/TPO – 3 Arundel Road

DATE OF VISIT: 24th March 2011

NEIGHBOURS CHECKED: Y

ADDITIONAL NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATIONS: N/A

PROPOSAL, SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

The application relates to two protected trees - a Robinia (T6) and a Lime (T7) - under the Worthing Tree Preservation Order No. 4 of 1988.

Consent is sought to remove one lower limb growing towards the house on the Robinia, T6, and to crown lift the Lime, T7, to clear branches from the roof of the house, in the interests of routine maintenance.

3 Arundel Road is a detached house. It is situated on the north side of Arundel Road (A27) just to the west of the junction of Mill Lane with Arundel Road.

RELEVANT PLANNING HISTORY

Tree Preservation Order No. 3 of 1988 confirmed on 10th January 1989

RELEVANT SAVED PLANNING POLICIES & NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY GUIDANCE

British Standard BS 3998 (2010) Recommendations for Tree Works

REPRESENTATIONS

The Borough Arboriculturist supports the application as made.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Article 8 of the First Protocol (Protection or Property) of the Human Rights Act 1998 is relevant to this application. It is accepted that this proposal, if approved, would have some impact on the neighbouring properties. However, it is considered that the level of development proposed would not cause undue harm in terms of additional noise, disturbance and loss of privacy and that, on balance, existing residential quality of life would not be adversely affected as a result of the proposal. Accordingly, it is considered that it is acceptable with regard to Article 8 and Article 1.

PLANNING ASSESSMENT

The proposed works to the protected Robinia and Lime trees on this property would be minor in extent in relationm to the overall size, spread and stature of the trees.

The works would remove the lower side branches on the eastern and south-eastern sides of the trees that are growing close to the building, in order to give greater clearance. The works would respect the natural form and appearance of the trees, provided that they are carried out to the British Standard BS 3998 (2010) Recommendations for Tree Works and do not exceed these specified works unless otherwise agreed in writing with the LPA, which is recommended as a condition of the grant of consent.

On this basis, these tree works would preserve the amenity value of the trees; and the application is acceptable.

RECOMMENDATION

Grant consent, subject to:

1. Restrict works & to BS 3998 (2010) Recommendations for Tree Works
2. Time limit – 2 years

REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

IS THE RECOMMENDATION CONTRARY TO LETTERS OF REPRESENTATION: Y/N

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Case Officer sign.....Date: 26th April 2011.....

Authorising Officer sign.....Date.....26·4·11.....