Development Management – Delegated Officer Report 10/09/2026

Application Number AWDM/0051/26 **Recommendation** - APPROVE

Address 116 Rectory Road, Worthing, West Sussex BN14 7PN

Proposal Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.15 of 2006 to reduce crown height by up to 3 metres, reduce radial spread by up to 2 metres, crown lift up to 6 metres, and crown thin 10% Copper Beech tree T2.

Date of site visit: 01/09/26

Neighbours checked: Y

Additional neighbour notifications: N

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The subject tree Beech located within the residential garden of number 116. The tree displays clear evidence of previous tree works, by way of a crown reduction. As such this application can be considered a repeat operation of one that has previously been permitted.

The reasons for the works are primarily in the interests of light issues and amenity value.

N.B This application is old – outstanding since January (as per email from Stephen C)

Consultations: None.

Representations: None

Relevant Planning History

An Application to remove the subject tree was received in 2019. It would appear that this application was refused and went to appeal. Uniform indicates that this appeal was withdrawn as a new application was made in May 2020, this application (to crown reduce the tree by 3m) was permitted.

Planning Assessment

Recommendation: Grant Consent, subject to the following Conditions:

1. The works hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with BS3998:1989 or any equivalent standard.

Reason: To protect the special amenity value of the tree(s).

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation? No

Case Officer: CP Date: 21/09/2026

Authorised by: Louise Prew Date: 21/09/2026