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Comments for Planning Application AWDM/1173/18

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Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 4:22 PM on 05 Sep 2018 from Mr David Allen.

Application Summary

Address: Street Record Amelia Close Southwick West Sussex

Proposal: Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No. 13.53/2/15(SW) to reduce eastern side by up to 1m to one Holm Oak T2, reduce eastern and southern sides by up to 1m to one Holm Oak T3, reduce height and crown spread by up to 2m to one Acer T5 and to fell and replace one Acer T4.

Case Officer: Jeremy Sergeant

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Customer Details

Name: Mr David Allen

Email: [redacted]

Address: 15 Croft Avenue, Southwick, West Sussex BN42 4AA

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment: - Trees and Landscaping

Comments: I object to this planning application on the grounds that it is excessive and unnecessary work. The application is partly hand written and in places hard to read. The principle reason's to justify the application are stated as disease/dangerous trees and loss of light. The application has no documents from an expert to describe disease or dangerous state of the trees, from pavement view all the tress look in good health, with rich green canopy on all the trees in the area.

There were no notices posted of the planning application on any local street lights or in a prominent public position to inform non-residents or other neighbours.

Regard the loss of light, there again is no evidence to support the claim, the current deciduous trees do provide shade through the day as the sun moves, but there is no continuous loss of light to residents in the South facing aspect of the Amelia Close development. In the last 12 months, 3 flats on the south facing side

have come up for sale and the marketing photographs show sunlit south facing side of the building and internal views of the flats that are brightly lit with natural light and requiring no artificial lighting indoors. These flats span the east and west side of the south facing building and on the ground and 1st floors, examples of the recent sales are shown in the following links: https://www.rightmove.co.uk/property-for-sale/property-54896751.html, https://www.hymanhill.co.uk/property-details/101429002031/west-sussex/southwick/southwick-52.

These trees are protected and were part of the original planning approval for the development. They are in keeping with the surrounding area of Croft Avenue, Southwick St and Glebe Close in type, height and spread of the trees. They are set back away from the South facing part of the Amelia Close site and don't over hang public roads and as such pose no danger to property, residents or the public. The trees help to blend the modern, 3 story development into the local environment.

If the trees were removed or significantly trimmed it would mean residents in the south facing part of the Amelia Close site would have little or no shade. The 3 story building would not blend into their environment and would be out of character in the surrounding area. These trees are part of a continuous area from the rest gardens to Southwick recreations ground. They are distinctive and characteristic, helping keep Southwick's "village" appeal and any loss or reduction would damage the public amenity of the area.