

Application Number **AWDM/0420/26**

Address **Shoreham College St Julians Lane Shoreham-by-Sea West Sussex BN43 6YW**

Proposal **Section 211 Notice under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to reduce damaged eastern stem to sound wood one Ash tree in the Kingston Buci Conservation Area.**

Date of site visit: 06/05/26

Neighbours checked: Y

Additional neighbour notifications: N

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The application refers to a large early mature Ash tree located near the centre of the eastern boundary wall adjacent to the carriageway of Kingston Lane. The tree is one of several trees on both sides of the road that are a prominent part of the street scene and make a significant contribution to the character and visual amenities of the Kingston Buci Conservation Area.

Consent is sought to reduce the eastern stem to back sound wood beyond the split and damaged section.

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

Consultations: Letter sent to ACAAG - Adur Conservation Area Advice Group who did not respond.

Representations: None received.

Relevant Planning History

1977: The Kingston Buci Conservation Area designated under section 277 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971, as amended by the Town and Country Amenities Act 1974 by Adur District Council on the 13th April 1977.

1995: Works To Trees Subject To Tpo 162/5/72 (Su)

2000: Adur Tree Preservation order Number 13.53/3/00/SU made 2000.

2004: Works To Trees Subject To T.P.O Ref 13.53/3/00/Su On West Side Boundary (Adj. New Sports Hall)

2009: Pollard 1 x Holm Oak, reduce by 40% and crown clean 3 x Holm Oaks, remove to height of 3m 1 x Holm Oak and reduce and crown clean Poplars (all subject to TPO/13.53/3/00/SU) on western boundary of site

- 2010: Felling of Horse Chestnut facing St Julians Lane and reduce Holm Oak by approximately 95% facing Kingston Lane (subject to TPO 13.53/3/00/SU).
- 2018: Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order 13.53/3/00/SU of 2000 to reduce radial spread on northern side by 2 to 4 metres, and reduce height by up to 2 to 7 metres, 16 Poplar trees, 2 Ash trees and 3 Sycamore of group G1, to reduce radial spread over carriage way by between 2 to 4 metres, and remove selected lowest limbs on Holm Oak trees T22, T13 & T14, to reduce up to reduce radial spread by 1 to 2 metres, and reduce height by up to 3 metres, and crown thin up to 15% Holm Oak trees T52 T53 T54 & T55, to reduce height and radial spread of one Holm Oak T3, to reduce two large secondary stems by up to 40% one Holm Oak T59, to Pollard one Poplar T12, and to fell and replace one Holm Oak T56.
- 2019: Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No.13.53/3/00/SU of 2000 to reduce radial spread by 1 to 2 metres, crown lift up to 5.5 metres over highway and thin by up to 15% four trees: Maple T4, and Limes T5 & T7, and prune to allow clearance to cables within the crown Lime T5, to reduce radial spread by 2 to 3 metres, crown lift up to 5.5 metres over highway and thin by up to 15% Ash trees T8 & T9, to remove deadwood from Rowan trees T29 to T33, and Holm Oaks T28 & T27, and to fell and replace one Rowan tree T30.
- 2025: Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No.162-5-72(Su) of 1972 to reduce / pollard eastern stem in line with boundary wall one Holm Oak tree T14.
- 2026: Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No.13.53/3/00 (SU) of 2000 to fell and replace one Sycamore tree T1.

Planning Assessment

The tree is a tall mature Ash growing in the east of the grounds close to Kingston Lane. The tree is prominent to the area, and can be seen from many views.

The tree has a single stem to 2.75 metres which then divides into three main stems. The west and central stems are mostly upright and persist to 10 to 12 metres before dividing again. The Eastern stem angles outward extending into the carriageway of Kingston Lane. The main crown is slightly open and wide spread with some over extended laterals.

The proposed works are to remove or reduce the eastern stem which has a visible split at approximately 6 metres. The work is to take the stem back to a suitable point with undamaged wood.

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 Kingston Buci Conservation Area.

Recommendation

Grant Consent, Not subject to Conditions:

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation?

No

Case Officer: JDS Date: 22/05/2026

Authorised by: PB Date: 27/5/26