Development Management – Delegated Officer Report **Date; 23/01/2026**

Application Number	**AWDM/1298/25**
Address	**Discovery Day Nursery 1 Grosvenor Road Worthing West Sussex BN11 1QF**
Proposal	**Section 211 Notice under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to fell and replace one Willow tree T1 in the Chapel Road Conservation Area.**

Date of site visit: 04/11/25

Neighbours checked: Y
Additional neighbour notifications: N
Site notice: (wider publicity / conservation area): Y

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The application refers to a small to medium sized mature Willow tree in the rear compound of the former Tabernacle. The tree is a part of the local landscape and makes a limited contribution to the character and visual amenities of the Chapel Road Conservation Area.

Consent is sought to fell and replace one Willow tree T1 in the Chapel Road Conservation Area.

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

Consultations: None

Representations: None received.

Relevant Planning History

2000: The property is included within Conservation Area Chapel Road (XXIV) (formerly Seafront and Hinterland), designated by the Council on 14th March 2000.

Planning Assessment

The tree is a medium sized mature Willow growing in the small rear grounds close to the main building. The tree has low prominence to the area, with no public views.

The tree has a single stem to 2 metres, where it then angles outward with the crown breaking at 2 to 2.5 metres south of the base. The first limbs that emerge at 3.5 metres are dead with foliage on the limbs further south and mostly over the Northeast corner of the main building. The main crown is A-symmetrical dense and wide spread.

The proposed works are to fell and replace the tree, which has a severe lean to the south, damage to the main stem and is in decline.

These works in my opinion will be large in relation to the overall number of trees and a significant amount of change will take place. However the effect on the Chapel Road Conservation Area will be compensated with the provision of a replacement tree.

Recommendation

Grant Consent, Not subject to Conditions:

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation?

No

Case Officer: JDS Date: 23/01/2026

Authorised by: LPrew Date: 23/01/2026