Development Management – Delegated Officer Report 18/11/2026

Application Number AWDM/1136/26

Address Sycamore Courtlands Way Worthing West Sussex BN12 4BX

Proposal Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order number 5 of 1887: Sycamore (T2): Height and radial reduction up to 1.5m, crown thinning up to 15%.

Date of site visit: 05.10.2026

Neighbours checked: Y

Additional neighbour notifications: N

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The subject trees, one Sycamore tree located in the rear garden of the residential property near to the boundary with Courtlands Way. The subject tree display clear evidence of previous crown reduction works – this is further evidenced by the four previous applications that have been approved since 2009. The works are considered a repeated operation and are in line with current best practice.

The reasons for the works are primarily in the interests of amenity and good arboricultural management

Consultations: None.

Representations: None

Relevant Planning History

A search of the planning history of the site show that there has been four previous applications to work on the subject since 2009 all Applications involve the crown reduction and thinning of the subject tree and all have been approved.

Planning Assessment

Recommendation: APPROVE

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).

2. The tree work to which this consent relates shall be carried out within 2 years of the date of this consent but in any case not during the nesting season from 1st March to 30th August of any year.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to review the need for the works in the event of this consent not being implemented; to protect wildlife; and to allow recovery from spring growth having regard to the National Planning Policy Framework and policy 13 of the Worthing Core Strategy/ policy 31 of the Adur Local Plan.}

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

Case Officer:	CP	Date: 18/11/2026
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