Development Management – Delegated Officer Report **Date; 16/01/2026**

Application Number	**AWDM/1396/25**
Address	**19 Cheviot Close Worthing West Sussex BN13 2LL**
Proposal	**Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.77 of 2001 to reduce crown height and radial spread by up to 1.5 metres one Purple Leaved Plum tree T12.**

Date of site visit: N/a

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The application refers to a small mature Purple Leaved Plum located near the centre of the front garden adjacent to the block paved driveway. The tree is a prominent part of the street scene and makes a contribution to the character and visual amenities of the area.

Consent is sought to reduce crown height and radial spread by up to 1.5 metres one Purple Leaved Plum tree T12.

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

Consultations: None.

Representations: None received.

Relevant Planning History

2001: Worthing Tree Preservation order Number of confirmed on 17/12/2001.

2010: Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No. 77 of 2001 to fell one Purple-leaved Plum (Prunus cerasifera Pissardii) (T12) in front garden, and replace with a Rowan or Birch. Approved but not carried out.

Planning Assessment

The tree is a small mature Purple Leaved Plum (Prunus cerasifera Pissardii) growing in the front garden. The tree is prominent to the area, and can be seen from many views.

The tree has a compound stem from ground level with the stems beginning separate from to 1.5 metres. The secondary stems are mostly upright, angling outward slightly to form a narrow array. Each stem has been reduced at 4 metres, with varying amounts and sizes of re-growth.

The main crown is dense and wide spread with some slightly over extended laterals. The proposed works are to reduce crown height and radial spread by up to 1.5 metres. The works are to contain the size and spread of the tree and to re-shape the crown.

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 area.

Recommendation

APPROVE

Grant Consent, subject to the following Conditions:

1. Approved plans
2. The proposed works, hereby permitted, shall be restricted to those specified in the application only unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority and carried out within two years from the date of consent and in accordance with the British Standard BS 3998: 2010 Tree Work.

   Reason: *In the interest of visual amenity.*

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation?

No

Case Officer: JDS Date: 16/01/2026

Authorised by: LPrew Date: 16/01/2026