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FW: APP Statement to LPA PINS Appeal ref APP/TPO/Y3905/6533

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Gordon, Kevin [redacted] 9 August 2018 at 09:24
To: "Jeremy.Sergeant@adur-worthing.gov.uk" <Jeremy.Sergeant@adur-worthing.gov.uk>

Dear Mr Sergeant

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (TREE PRESERVATION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012, SI No. 605

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO CARRY OUT WORKS TO PROTECTED TREES

APPELLANT: John Stuart Colwill

SITE AT: 11 Amelia Close, Southwick, West Sussex BN42 4AJ

I refer to the above appeal.

A copy of the appellant's statement of case is attached. If you wish to make comments on these enclosures you must submit them **by 23 August 2018.**

No statement of case has been submitted by you.

I believe that our Charting Department has been in contact to make the arrangements for the Hearing.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Gordon

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From: [redacted]
Sent: 12 February 2018 16:48
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F.A.O Kevin Gordon

Case Officer

Environment Appeals Team

Dear Mr Gordon,

I thank you for your email of 31st January 2018.

I have received from the Council a copy of the questionnaire together with the associated documents.

My comments concerning the tree remain as mentioned and photographed in detail by myself and others.

I have spent some time searching for a suitable native tree that could replace the Holm Oak, should the decision be made to fell and replace this obtrusive, ugly monster of a tree.

I looked at :

Buckthorn Rhamnus cathartica 10m

Grows well in any soil, shade or sun and leaves turn yellow in the autumn

Dogwood Cornus sanguinea 10m

A shrubby tree , interesting colours

Hawthorn Crataegus monogyna 10m

Grown as a single stem

Hazel Corylus avellana 12m

Grows as a mass of arching branches

Maple Acer campestre 20m

Rich autumn colours

Rowan (Mountain Ash) Sorbus aucuparia 15m

Rich red berries in the autumn

Common Lime Tiliax europaea 25m

Of these we, (Friends of Southwick Square Garden) considered that a **Maple** would be the preferred replacement. This by agreement with the Council , should be planted in Southwick Square Garden at a suitable distance from the fence line of Amelia Close.

As a group we would be responsible for all costs concerned in the felling, purchase and planting of the replacement and also to ensure that the new planting would be well cared for in respect of adequate water.

It is interesting that in the TPO Appeal questionnaire , Mr Jeremy Sergeant the Aborocultural Officer from the Council has suggested in the event of consent being given it should be replaced by either a Lime or a Maple.

So it seems there is some agreement and in answer to your question, we would very happy to resolve the dispute before the hearing , enabling the withdrawal of the appeal with a consequent saving of time and public resources.

I will attach two photographs, one showing the tree, taken from Southwick Square garden, this shows that the tree serves no real purpose, it does not screen the development and it really is quite ugly. The second photograph is a "photoshop" presentation that shows what attractive screening would do. As well as these obvious improvements, the five owners of houses in Amelia Close would be allowed, daylight, sunlight and freedom from the continual fall of detritus from th Holm Oak.

I defy anyone to look at the effects of living under A Holm Oak of this size and position and come up with a single good word for it.

Regards,

John Colwill

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