Development Management – Delegated Officer Report **Date; 23/04/21**

Application Number	**AWDM/0329/21**
Address	**9 Rosslyn Road Shoreham-by-Sea West Sussex BN43 6WL**
Proposal	**Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No.13.53/2/90 (SU) of 1990 to fell and replace one Indian Bean tree T1.**

Date of site visit: 16/04/21

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The application refers to a single Catalpa (Indian Bean tree) in the rear garden of 9 Rosslyn Avenue Shoreham-by-Sea. The tree makes a contribution to the character and visual amenities of the area.

Consent is sought to fell and replace the tree.

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

Consultations: None.

Representations: None received.

Relevant Planning History

1990: Adur Tree Preservation order Number 13.53/2/90(SU) of 1990 made on 12/09/90.

1996: Crown Lifting By 10% & Reduction (By 25%-30%) Of Indian Bean Tree (Subject To Tpo 13.53/2/90/Su)

2005: Crown Reduction (By Approx 25%) Of Indian Bean Tree (Subject To Tpo 13.53/2/90/Su)

2010: Crown reduction by 25% and crown thinning by 10% of Catalpa in rear garden (subject to TPO 13.53/2/90/SU)

2016: AWDM/1394/16 - Application for consent under Adur Tree Preservation Order No.13.53/2/90(SU) of 1990 to reduce radial spread and crown height by up to 2 metres, on one Indian Bean tree T1.

Planning Assessment

The tree is a small early mature growing in the northeast corner of the rear garden adjacent to the boundary fencing between properties and is not visible from the street.

The tree is single stemmed to 3 to 4 metres with a large lateral to the east side, which was removed under prior notice (exempt). The main stem divides at 3.5 metres, into 3 to 4 main stems, which have been previously reduced. The main crown is dense, and wide spread.

The main stem has a large cavity to the northeast, which has extended greatly since 2016, and several hollow areas that have been partially enclosed by re-growth. Approximately 70% of the main stem has been lost, making the tree greatly compromised.

The proposed works are to fell and replace the tree, due to safety concerns.

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

Recommendation

Grant Consent, subject to the following Conditions:

1. The proposed felling of the Indian Bean tree T1 and its replacement shall be carried out in full within two years from the date of this consent and in accordance with details of the size species and position of the replacement tree planting to be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

   Reason: *In the interest of visual amenity.*

2 If within five years following replanting, the replacement tree dies or becomes seriously diseased, another tree of the same size and species shall be planted in a similar position during the next planting season following the removal of the replacement tree, unless the Local Planning Authority gives written approval to any variation.

   Reason: *In the interest of visual amenity.*

Is recommendation contrary to letter(s) of representation?

No

Case Officer: JDS Date: 23/04/2021

Authorised by: PB Date: 26/4/21