Development Management – Delegated Officer Report 08/10/2026

Application Number AWDM/0953/26

Address 26 Marshall Avenue, Worthing, West Sussex BN14 0ES

Proposal Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No.15 of 2007 to crown reduce in height and radial spread by a maximum of 3m and thin crown by a maximum of 10% one Beech tree (T1), crown reduce in height and radial spread by a maximum of 2m two Yew trees

Date of site visit: 14/09/26

Neighbours checked: Y

Additional neighbour notifications: N

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

Proposal, Site and Surroundings

The subject trees a group of two Yews located to the front of the property along the boundary of Marshall Avenue and one Beech located in the rear garden near to the property show clear signs of previous tree works in the form of previous crown reduction works. The Yews have been the subject of previous applications for their removal – these have been refused as such there is a indication that they have previously been under threat – the proposed works – a repeat operation should go some way to appease pressures on the trees for their removal. The Beech in the rear garden also shows clear signs of previous crown reduction works as such this application is a repeat operation. The application is supported by the neighbouring property owner and they have made representations to this effect

Consultations: None.

Representations: Mr Keith Chapman neighbour at 29 Marshall Avenue – Made comments in support of the application: “The trees really do need to be reduced in size so this application is supported”

Relevant Planning History

There has been one previous application in 2019 to fell the yew trees in group one – this application was dismissed (AWDM/0958/19). An application in 2019 resulted in a split decision crown reduction works permitted felling to yews refused (AWDM/020/19). A application to reduce the yews and Beech in 2020 was permitted (AWDM/1304/20).

Planning Assessment

Recommendation: APPROVE

Grant Consent, subject to the following Conditions:

1. Approved plans

2. 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).

3. The tree work to which this consent relates shall be completed within two years of the date of this consent.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to review the need for the works in the event of this consent not being implemented.

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

Case Officer:	CP	Date: 08/10/2026
Authorised by:	LPrew	Date: 08/10/2026