Development Management – Delegated Officer Report 08/10/2026

Application Number AWDM/0891/26

Address Tarring Gate, South Street, Worthing West Sussex

Proposal Application for consent under Worthing Tree Preservation Order No. 11/2003 to reduce crown height by 2m to final height of approx. 11m and reduce crown spread to 9m, Silver Birch tree (T4).

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 tree a silver birch located near to the boundary with South Street and the public footpath that leads to 19-22 Tarring Gate. The tree is encroaching onto the public highway, public footpath as well as the properties 17 and 18 South Street. The subject tree shows signs of co dominance leading to a spreading crown. The proposed works will enable the tree to be retained without pressure form neighbouring homeowners and manage the interface between the tree and the public highway and footpath. The works are in line with current arboricultural good practice and should safeguard the long-term retention of the tree given the locale

Consultations: None.

Representations: None

Relevant Planning History

There have been no previous applications for works to the subject tree. However there have been two previous applications to works to T5 – Holm oak, both of which have been approved. This Holm Oak is adjacent to the subject tree

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).

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
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