## MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL

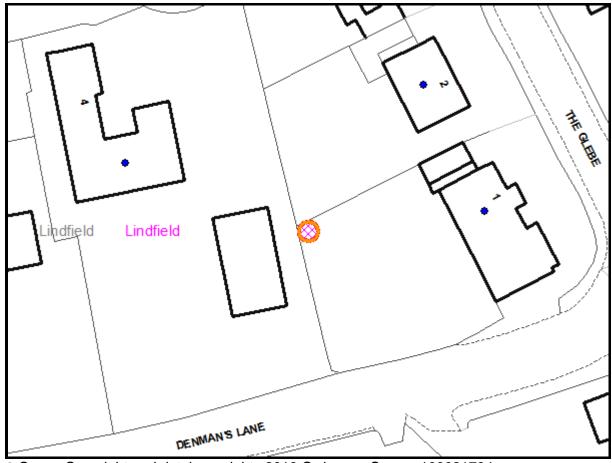
# **Planning Committee**

### 19 DEC 2019

# RECOMMENDED FOR PERMISSION

# **Lindfield**

## DM/19/4133



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# 1 THE GLEBE LINDFIELD HAYWARDS HEATH WEST SUSSEX T1 OAK - REMOVE SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10CM IN DIAMETER. MRS ANTHEA LEA

POLICY: Areas of Townscape Character / Built Up Areas / Aerodrome Safeguarding (CAA) / SWT Bat Survey / Tree Preservation Order Points /

ODPM CODE: Tree Application

WARD MEMBERS: Cllr Andrew Lea / Cllr Anthea Lea / Cllr Jonathan Ash-

Edwards /

CASE OFFICER: Irene Fletcher

#### PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The application seeks consent for works to an Oak tree covered by Tree Preservation Order LF/01/TPO/00. The works are described as 'Remove secondary growth up to 10cm in diameter'.

This application has come before Committee as the applicant is a Council Member.

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that permission be granted subject to the condition set out in Appendix A.

#### REPRESENTATIONS

None received.

#### LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application.

### **ASSESSMENT**

Permission is sought for the works as described.

The tree is a semi mature specimen located within the rear garden of the property in the northern corner abutting the neighbouring boundary. It is a semi mature specimen with limited public visibility. It appears to be healthy and free of pests and diseases.

Policy DP37 of the District Plan deals with tree matters and states that the Council will support the protection and enhancement of trees. In respect of tree works, the policy sets out the following will be taken into account:

- The condition and health of the tree
- The contribution of the trees to the character and visual amenity of the local area; and
- The amenity and nature conservation value of the trees; and
- The extent and impact of the works; and
- Any replanting proposals (where necessary)

The works relate to epicormic growth which has not been removed and has developed over a few years, from the main trunk. It shades the lawn and has become a hazard at eye level.

The proposed works are very minor in nature and will have no impact on the long term health or amenity value of the tree. It is considered that the application compliances with the above Development Plan policy and can be supported.

### **APPENDIX A - RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS**

1. The work shall be carried out in accordance with BS 3998:2010 "Recommendation for Tree Work".

Reason: To ensure that the work is carried out to a satisfactory standard.

#### **INFORMATIVES**

1. Prior to the commencement of the works hereby permitted, checks shall be made for the presence of nesting birds and other wildlife protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

### **APPENDIX B - CONSULTATIONS**

#### **Parish Consultation**

Lindfield Parish Council has no objections to this application