Application Numb	er: BH2008/03933	Ward:	Brunswick and Adelaide
Address:	Sandringham Lodge Palmeira Avenue		
Proposal:	To fell 1 x Leylandii, Tree Number T.16 On Tree Preservation Order (No. 14) 1998		
Officer:	Di Morgan, tel. 01273 292186		
Date Received:	15 December 2008		
Applicant:	Duncan Armstrong, Asp	en Tree Care	

1 Introduction

1.1 The purpose of the report is to consider the above application.

2 Recommendation

2.1 That the Sub-Committee has taken into consideration and agrees with the reasons for the recommendation set out in paragraph 7 of this report and resolves to grant consent subject to the following conditions:

- The felling shall be carried out within two years under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.
- The said existing tree shall be replaced by a tree of a size and species and in a position to be agreed by the Local Planning Authority.
- The replacement tree shall be planted during the period November to March next, following the felling of the existing tree, and such planting shall be in all respects to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.
- If, within a period of two years from the date of the planting, the trees (or any other trees planted in replacement for it) is removed, uprooted or destroyed or dies, another tree of the same size and species shall be planted at the same place, or in accordance with any variation for which the Local Planning Authority gives its written consent.

3 Description of the Application Site

3.1 Sandringham Lodge is a block of flats on the corner of Lansdowne Road and Palmeira Avenue. There are 15 other trees on the site that are covered by this Preservation Order.

4 Proposal

4.1 The applicant wishes to fell this specimen due to excessive shading and replant with native tree.

5 Relevant Planning History

5.1 None

6 Considerations

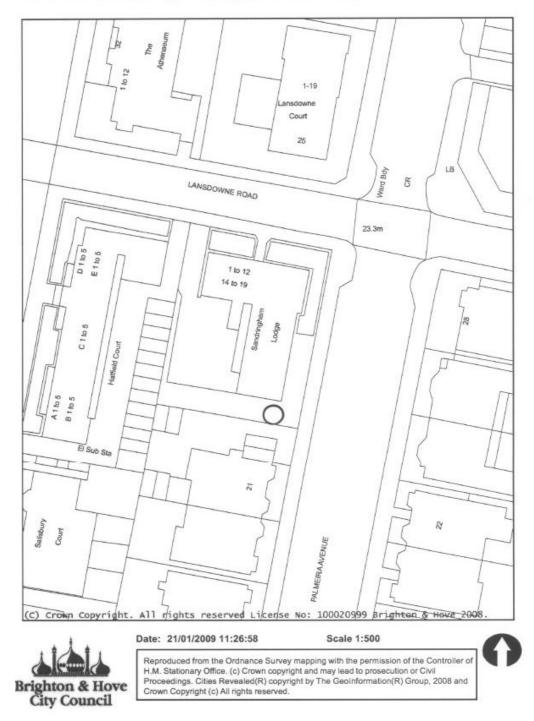
- 6.1 This Leylandii is approximately 14 15 metres in height with an unbalanced crown spread of 7 8 metres. It is situated in a small soil border at the side of the property, about one quarter of a metre from the boundary wall.
- 6.2 In the past it has been pruned to allow the Lime tree next to it (also protected) to flourish. This has led to a misshapen crown.
- 6.3 Its remaining crown is now spreading towards both Sandringham Lodge and its neighbouring building. Pruning to keep the tree back from the buildings will lead to the tree becoming misshapen even further.
- 6.4 No loss or damage is likely to occur if felling of the above tree is refused at this time.

7 Conclusion

7.1 This spreading specimen is an inappropriate species for this confined location and this opportunity should be taken to allow its removal and replacement with a specimen more in keeping with this location.

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