# Horsham Denne Neighbourhood Council
# CONSULTATION COMMENTS

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| **TO:** | Horsham District Council – Planning Dept |
| **SITE ADDRESS:** | Hills Cemetery, Guildford Rd, Horsham |
| **PROPOSAL:** | Surgery to all relevant trees (mostly Tilia spp). (12 year ongoing tree works application). |
| **REFERENCE:** | DC/24/1209 |
| **RECOMMENDATION:** | No objection |

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:** No objection (see main comments)

**MAIN COMMENTS:**

Horsham Denne Neighbourhood Council Tree Warden, Andrew Dickinson, has visited the site and his report is as follows:

Most of the trees on this site are common Lime trees, situated along the boundary fence that runs along the east and west side of the cemetery.

All of the trees are mature and require some maintenance. The main stems have a healthy growth of epicormic suckers which are usually situated within the 2m range on the main stem. All of this growth should be removed and cut back to the main stem as this is the area where Ustulina Deusta grows and can be difficult to spot if the main trunk is not kept clear of epicormic growth.
This type of fungi can become significant if left over a prolonged period. It can impact the tree by causing brittle failure to the whole tree, causing it to break at ground level or branch failure.

On completion of the removal of the suckers it should be possible to inspect the trunks for any fungi growth which could affect the trees.

Therefore, HDNC has no objection to this application.

**ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:** As above

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| **DATE:** | 3.9.24 |