

CONSERVATION AREA NOTIFICATION

ASSESSMENT SHEET

APPLICATION NO: DC/26/0551: 1725 Cottage High Street Upper Beeding.

REPRESENTATION AND CONSULTATION RESPONSES:

No representations have been received in respect of this notification.

ASSESSMENT:

It is considered that the proposed removal of the cedar tree in question, subject to replacement planting with Liquidambar (sweet gum) as specified within the application form, would not result in unacceptable or lasting harm to the character or appearance of the conservation area.

The cedar is positioned within a relatively modest domestic garden where its size and form now significantly constrain the site. Opportunities for meaningful arboricultural management are limited, and further pruning would be unlikely to provide a sustainable long-term solution without adversely affecting the tree's health or form. In addition, the relationship of the tree to the adjacent property gives rise to material impacts, which further limits reasonable management options.

Whilst it is acknowledged that the removal of the tree would result in an immediate and localised loss of amenity, this harm is not considered to be significant or demonstrably harmful in the context of the wider conservation area. The proposed replacement planting would, subject to successful establishment, provide an appropriate succession and ensure the continued contribution of tree cover to the character and appearance of the area over time.

Accordingly, it is not considered necessary or appropriate to protect the tree with a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) to prevent the works being completed as proposed.

RECOMMENDATION:

No objection to notification.

Authorising Officer sign.....ANBU..... **Arboricultural Officer (Strategic Planning)**

Date.....28 May 26...