CONSERVATION AREA NOTIFICATION

ASSESSMENT SHEET

APPLICATION NO: **CA/25/0054: Willow Cottage Spinney Lane West Chiltington.**

REPRESENTATION AND CONSULTATION RESPONSES:
West Chiltington Parish Council has stated that they wish to defer to the consideration of the HDC Arboricultural Officer.
No additional representations have been received in respect of this notification.

ASSESSMENT:
The Ash, the subject of this notification, straddles the property boundary of Martlet Cottage to the north. The tree is displaying the advanced signs of infection with ***Hymenoscyphus fraxineus***, commonly known as Ash dieback, a chronic fungal disease of ash trees in Europe characterised by leaf loss and crown dieback in infected trees; as such, its removal is justifiable on safety grounds.

The works to the Sycamore tree are minor and will not result in any adverse impact upon the tree or the character and amenities of the Conservation Area.

Accordingly, it is not considered necessary or appropriate to protect the trees by a tree preservation order (TPO) to prevent the works from being completed as proposed.

RECOMMENDATION:
No objection to notification.

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

Date……18 Jul 25……