

CONSERVATION AREA NOTIFICATION

ASSESSMENT SHEET

APPLICATION NO: **CA/25/0149: Broad Oak Cagefoot Lane Henfield.**

REPRESENTATION AND CONSULTATION RESPONSES:

Henfield Parish Council has indicated no objection to this notification.

No additional representations have been received in respect of this notification.

ASSESSMENT:

The Beech tree, the subject of this notification, is a mature specimen that forms part of a pair of beech trees located in the rear garden of the notifier's property at Broad Oak, Cagefoot Lane.

The tree owner seeks to fell the tree due to concerns regarding a visible Ganoderma bracket at its base, along with additional seasonal fungal fruiting that has been observed, possibly Armillaria (Honey Fungus).

The tree is set back some distance from the nearest public viewpoint on Cagefoot Lane to the north, approximately 57 metres. Nevertheless, it can be partially glimpsed through a break in the property boundary when viewed from the north. However, due to additional tree cover in the area, views of the tree as an individual specimen are very limited.

Given the fungal colonisation at its base, its rear garden setting, and its limited visibility from the public realm, it is considered that the removal of the beech tree would not result in any significant impact on the character or amenity of the Conservation Area.

Accordingly, it is not considered necessary or appropriate to protect the tree by a Tree Preservation Order.

RECOMMENDATION:

No objection to notification.

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

Date.....04 Feb 26.....