

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT

Site Address: 10 Titus Gardens, Waterloo, PO7 8JT
Proposal: 1No. Silver Birch (T1) Reduce by 2.5m width, back to pollard points, leaving a height of 8m x width 4m. Subject to TPO 1222.
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
Application No: APP/24/00936 Expiry Date: 13/01/2025
Applicant: Mrs Russell
Agent: Simon Jordan Case Officer: Tree Officer
S Jordan Tree Surgery
Ward: Waterloo

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

10 Titus Gardens, Waterloo, PO7 8JT

2 Planning History

01/58581/003 - Height and width reduction and crown raise a Silver Birch tree (T3) at 10 Titus Gardens subject to TPO 1222., PERM,26/11/2001
99/58581/002 - Height reduction to the old wound points and reduce the crown spread up to 1m of a Silver Birch (T3) subject to TPO 1222, PERM,06/09/1999
96/58581/001 - Crown reduce Silver Birch (T3 of TPO 1222), PERM,21/01/1997
93/58581/000 - Reduce by 20% and raise to 3m crown of Birch tree covered b TPO 1222., PERM,
05/58581/004 - Application to crown reduce by 20% and crown raise to 3 metres a Silver Birch (T3) of TPO 1222., PERM,10/11/2005
09/58581/005 - Crown reduce by 30% (1m above previous pruning points); crown raise to 3m 1No. Birch tree (T3) subject to TPO 1222., PERM,21/01/2010
APP/13/00975 - Crown lift 1No. Birch (T3) to 3m and crown reduce by 2m subject to TPO 1222., PERM,07/11/2013
GEN/16/01296 - TPO confirmation., ,07/12/2016 10:38:56
APP/17/01041 - Crown reduce 1No. Silver Birch (T3) by 4m and crown raise to 3m. Subject to TPO 1222., PERM,17/11/2017
GEN/20/00751 - TPO enquiry, ,22/09/2020 16:26:39
APP/20/00953 - Reduce crown height on 1No. Silver Birch tree (T3) to previous pruning points, subject to TPO 1222.
, PERM,18/12/2020

3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

DM8 (Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of Existing Natural Features)

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.

Conservation Area: Not applicable.

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Councillor Gwen Robinson

Councillor Peter Wade

Councillor Ryan Brent

6 Community Involvement

This application was publicised in accordance with the Council's Code of Practice for Publicity of Planning Applications approved at minute 207/6/92 (as amended), as a result of which the following publicity was undertaken:

Number of neighbour notification letters sent: 9

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

7 Planning Considerations

7.1 Having regard to the relevant policies of the development plan it is considered that the main issues arising from this application are:

- Whether the degree of pruning works requested would undermine the amenity value of these trees and whether this could also be harmful to their ongoing health and vitality.

7.2 My recommendation relates specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally considering the tree's health and condition in any great detail and deals with the relevant issues that have been raised on site and in the application form. The recommendation made within this application is formed from a desktop based examination in line with BS 3998.

7.3 The application is to reduce a mature Silver Birch back to the previous pruning points of the canopy - the management of this tree began in 2003 and it has become a cyclical management process. While this is not considered to be best practice the works are now a routine process and the tree is far from a maiden.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permit.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/24/00936 subject to the following conditions

- 1 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall not be carried out otherwise than in full accordance with all relevant content of BS 3998 (2010).
Reason: In the interests of tree health and safety.
- 2 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than one year from the date of this decision notice.
Reason: To control the timing of the works