

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT

Site Address: St Marys Church, Church Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0NN
 Proposal: 1No Ancient Yew remove 8 laterals, 2 in the SE sector and 6 in the East sector (see images 3 and 5). Reduce height of primary stem in the NE sector from 14m to 10m by removal of 4m; reduce height of a primary stem in the East sector from 15m to 10m by removal of 5m (see images 4 and 5). Subject to TPO 1615.
 Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
 Application No: APP/24/00991 Expiry Date: 13/02/2025
 Applicant: Mr A Skeet
 Agent: Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
 Ward: Hayling East

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

St Marys Church, Church Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0NN

2 Planning History

03/56927/005 - Renewal of planning permission 00/56927/004 for the retention of timber shed used for storage to south side of existing hall., PERM,19/03/2003
01/62941/005 - Reduce the northern and southern sectors of a Yew Tree (T17) at St Marys Church, Church Road subject to TPO 1615, PERM,19/07/2001
00/62941/004 - Erection of freestanding non-illuminated notice board to eastern boundary, PERM,18/12/2000
00/62941/003 - Reduce the northern sector to the boundary of the churchyard and reduce the southern sector by 2 metres of a Yew tree (T18). Also thin out two major limbs of a Monterey Pine (T24). Both trees are subject to TPO 1615., PERM,14/03/2000
99/62941/001 - A non illuminated free standing notice board to the east of St Mary's church, Hayling Island, PERM,09/08/1999
99/62941/002 - Crown raise by up to 2.4 metres a Yew tree (T2) subject to TPO 1615, PERM,22/10/1999
97/62941/000 - Felling of two Monterey Pines T24 and T25 subject to TPO 1615, REF,21/11/1997
07/62941/006 - Reduce the northern and southern sectors of a Yew tree (T17) by 1.5 metres and 1 metre respectively at St Marys Church, Church Road subject to TPO 1615. , PERM,13/08/2007
08/62941/007 - Tree Works., UNK,
08/62941/008 - Yew tree (TPO1615/T18): remove branches overhanging driveway at 25 Church Road, back to boundary., PERM,03/12/2008
09/62941/009 - Two storey extension to north of church., WD,23/09/2009
09/62941/010 - Listed Building Consent application for proposed two storey extension to north of Grade II Listed church., WD,23/09/2009
APP/11/01312 - Erection of wooden shed in curtilage of Church grounds., WD,16/11/2011
GEN/11/01173 - Request for any information on proposed planning on the site., 01/09/2011 11:01:42

APP/11/01413 - Crown lift to 3m 3No. Yew trees (T3, T11, T18); crown lift to 3m and remove deadwood 2No. Yew trees (T2, T4); crown lift to 3m 1No. Oak tree (T5); reduce top and sides by 4.5m, crown lift to 3m and remove dead and crossing branches to 1No. Copper Beech tree (T1); reduce top and sides by 4m, crown lift to 3m and remove dead and crossing branches to 1No. Copper Beech tree (T23). All trees subject to TPO 1615., PERM,10/11/2011

APP/11/01738 - Two storey extension to north of the church incorporating felling of 1No. Yew tree (T19) subject to TPO 1615, and landscaping., PERM,22/06/2012

GEN/12/00082 - Are there any proposed works to land at Rook Farm?, ,16/02/2012 22:04:09

APP/12/00090 - Fell 1No. Copper Beech tree (T1) subject to TPO 1615., PERM,13/03/2012

APP/12/00186 - Crown lift 1No. Yew tree (T6) and 1No. Cherry tree (T10) to 3m, subject to TPO 1615. , PERM,28/03/2012

APP/12/00763 - Erection of wooden shed in curtilage of church grounds. (Resubmission.) , NPW,30/07/2013

APP/13/00092 - Discharge of Condition No. 5 of Planning Permission APP/11/01738., PERM,18/02/2013

GEN/13/00720 - Query relating to proposed notice board., UNK,

GEN/15/00072 - Dead, Dying and Dangerous Act- Make tree safe - Yew tree in Church Yard., ,20/01/2015

APP/16/01201 - Display of 3No. non illuminated entrance signs on boundary wall. (Amended application)., PERM,06/01/2017

GEN/16/01351 - Licensing application - bingo premises licence., ,10/01/2017 10:11:32

APP/17/01102 - Raise crown of 1No. Yew (T11) to 2.2m, removal of one lateral at 2.5m above ground and removal of one lateral at 5m above ground both on western sector; reduce weight of 800mm diameter south facing primary limb on south side of tree by removing 350mm diameter lateral and two 150mm diameter laterals and one 100mm diameter lateral at base; remove all dead wood. Subject to TPO 1615., PERM,09/11/2017

GEN/18/00624 - Proposed extension to existing dropped kerb., UNK,

GEN/19/00340 - Pre-application request for an outline permission for a residential development of up to 390 residential dwellings, ,14/10/2020

GEN/19/00868 - Footpath 89 Hayling Island – path runs from Higworth Lane to Church Road through the caravan park and St. Mary's Church. The footpath through the caravan park 211m long will be widened by an average 1.55m width. The path will be dedicated to and maintained by Hampshire County Council. , ,18/04/2021 10:09:01

APP/21/00282 - 1No. Yew (T1 on plan) Prune to give no more than 2m clearance of the neighbouring property Subject to TPO 1615., PERM,18/05/2021

GEN/21/00364 - Information on planning restrictions or Article 4 directions affecting permitted development., ,14/04/2021

GEN/21/00922 - Request for formal Scoping Opinion under the Town and Country Planning (EIA) Regulations 2017, Regulation 15, regarding the proposed residential development at Land off St Mary's Road, Hayling Island. , ,29/09/2021

APP/21/01434 - Outline application for development of up to 300 dwellings (including affordable housing). The proposal includes provision for structural planting and landscaping; informal public open space; children's play areas; sustainable drainage system (SuDS); a new vehicular access from St Mary's Road; and associated ancillary works. All matters reserved except for means of vehicular access. Accompanied by an Environmental Statement., ,

APP/22/01096 - Certificate of Lawfulness for the use of adjacent land to the holiday park for recreation purposes ancillary to caravan site, PERM,23/02/2023

GEN/23/00831 - Banner for harvest festival on church wall. 3metre by 1 metre height, INV,

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

Conservation Officer

Councillor Mark Coates

Councillor Netty Shepherd

Councillor Peter Oliver

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: 14

Number of site notices: At least one site notice exists - check the number.

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 inspection related specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally inspecting the tree's health and condition in any great detail. I visually inspected the tree from ground level and the following report deals with the relevant issues that have been raised on site, in the application form and from my site observations.

7.3 Having undertaken a site visit with the applicant and discussed the applicants management for the Yew I believe that the works applied for are proactive in terms of reducing risk that can be associated by heavy limbs. The area surrounding the tree has been tapped off so as to discourage people coming directly underneath the canopy.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permit.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/24/00991

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/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