
Site Address: 7 Manor Close, Havant, PO9 1BD
Proposal: Fell 2No. Beech (T1 & T2 on plan) within Conservation Area of St Faiths.
Application Type: Conservation Area Tree
Application No: APP/23/00968 Expiry Date: 17/01/2024
Applicant: Mrs Valentine
Agent: Mr Tomasso Case Officer: Peter Slegg
Alpine Tree Surgeons Ltd
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

1 Site Description

7 Manor Close, Havant, PO9 1BD

2 Planning History

02/62159/001 - Fell a Bay tree at 7 Manor Close within St. Faiths Conservation Area.,
RNO,09/09/2002
08/62159/003 - Tree Works., UNK,
08/62159/004 - Tree Works., UNK,
APP/13/00376 - Crown reduce 2No. Beech trees by 3-4m all round within
Conservation Area of St Faiths., RNO,04/06/2013
APP/17/00372 - Crown reduce by 2m overall back to old pruning points and crown
raise to 2.75m, 2No. Beech, remove any dead, crossing or epicormic branches as
necessary. Within conservation area of St Faiths., RNO,03/05/2017
GEN/18/00112 - DD Fir tree., UNK,26/01/2018
APP/18/01063 - Fell 1No. Conifer (remove to ground level) within Conservation Area
of St Faiths., RNO,22/11/2018
APP/20/00942 - 2No.Beech trees - Reduce to old pruning points, crown raise to 2.8m,
remove any dead, crossing or epicormic branches as necessary, within Conservation
Area of St Faiths., RNO,11/12/2020

3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework
Havant Borough Council Borough Design Guide SPD December 2011
Havant Borough Council Parking SPD July 2016

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan Post Examination Version 2020

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.
Conservation Area: St Faiths

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Councillor Gillian Harris

Councillor Imogen Payter

Councillor Phil Munday - St Faiths

Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council

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No landscape objection.

Kind regards,

Harry Mitchell CMLI
Chartered Landscape Architect
Havant Borough Council

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: 5

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

Comment	Officer Comment
No landscape objection.	The comments received are welcomed and reflected within the planning considerations

Summary:

Comment:

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 The report relates specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally inspecting the tree's health and condition in any great detail.

7.3 The Council seeks to protect tree coverage in the Borough, but when considering a section 211 notice the Council must consider the impact of the proposed works to the amenity value of the tree and its contribution towards preserving and enhancing the character and appearance of the Conservation Area to determine if it justifies protection by a TPO.

7.4 When considering the amenity value, the Council is advised by National Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) 'Tree Protection Orders and Trees in Conservation Areas'. The PPG state a number of criteria for the Council to consider, which include visibility, size and form, future potential, rarity, cultural/historical value, relationship with the landscape and contribution to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

7.5 After receiving the comments from the Council Landscape Architect and considering national guidance the local authority does not believe the proposed works to the trees would justify their protection with a TPO.

7.6 The proposed works would have a detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area, but the trees have already been heavily pruned to such an extent that their amenity value has been diminished and will require ongoing management to reflect the surroundings. The applications state the owners intention to replace each tree with two smaller varieties of native trees such as Sorbus aucuparia, which is encouraging, and on balance the works would be acceptable, and in accordance with Policy CS11, CS16 and DM8 of the Core Strategy (2011).

(iii) Impact upon residential amenity

8 Conclusion

Raise no objection.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Place be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/23/00968