
Site Address: 6 Royal Way, Waterlooville, PO7 8JE
Proposal: No 1.Oak (T1 on the sketch plan) fell down to stump. Tree subject to TPO 1064.
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
Application No: APP/24/00429 Expiry Date: 31/07/2024
Applicant: Mr Hillebrandt
Agent: Mr Hillebrandt Case Officer: Tree Officer
JH Tree Services Hampshire LTD
Ward: Waterloo

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

6 Royal Way, Waterlooville, PO7 8JE

2 Planning History

00/65529/000 - Crown reduce by 20-30%, thin crown and crown raise up to 4/5m an Oak tree (T2), within the rear garden of 6 Royal Way subject to TPO 1064, PERM,12/09/2000

APP/11/01009 - Crown reduce by 2.5m to previous pruning points and crown thin by 10% 1No. Oak tree (T2) subject to TPO 1064., PERM,05/08/2011

GEN/16/00194 - Enquiry re erection of small aluminium fence and posts between 8 and 10 Royal Way., ,24/02/2016 11:52:46

APP/21/00154 - 1No. Oak (T1) reduce all sides by approx 2.5m, reduce crown height by 4m, leaving a crown height at approx 10m and spread approx 6m; 1No. Oak (T2) reduce height and crown by approx 3m, 1m past old pruning points leaving crown spread of approx 7m and height approx 10m, subject to TPO 1064.

, PERM,01/04/2021

APP/21/00457 - T5 - 1 no. Turkey Oak (T1 on plan) - Crown raise up to 4 metres removing epicormic growths up to main crown, reduce crown on north side by approx 0.5 metres and crown reduce south side of the crown by 2 metres, leaving an approx crown height of 9 metres and approx crown width of 7 metres. Subject to TPO 1064., PERM,23/07/2021

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

County Waste Management

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Property Management (formerly County Estates Department) Hampshire County 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: 8

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

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

Comment	Officer 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 tree is in such poor condition that removal is the only reasonable option available to the landowner.
- Whether the loss of local amenity could be mitigated via replacement tree planting.

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

The subject English oak tree stands centrally in the western rear garden of the property. The tree is protected under Tree Preservation Order 1064. The tree is a small mature specimen that has been previously pruned and crown reduced via application.

The tree can be viewed from the nearby public highway at Royal Way, and the tree canopy is visible above the roof line of the house. The tree would have contributed to the visual amenity, canopy cover and ecosystem services of the area.

Using images available on Google Streetview, it is possible to see the tree canopy at approximately April 2022, when it appeared to be reasonably healthy and with a maintained but full canopy. The most recent Streetview images from August 2023 show the tree canopy to be dysfunctional and under stress. It appears that events that took place between around April 2022 and August 2023 have pushed the tree in to a quick spiral of decline. The supporting photographs submitted in June 2024 show the tree to have a heavily over-thinned canopy, and to be largely dead, and surrounded by a level and lush green lawn.

7.3 The tree removal is proposed as the oak tree is now largely dead, with no meaningful chance of recovery.

7.4 The application form notes the rapid nature of the trees decline and recommends action before the tree becomes unsafe.

8 Conclusion

It is recommended that the works on the tree should be granted consent subject to conditions.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/24/00429 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.

- 3 A replacement tree is required to be planted to retain the integrity of the Tree Preservation Order. The replacement tree shall be a “standard” tree with a stem girth of 8-10 cm at the time of planting. The replacement tree shall be planted within 4m of the location of the dead/dying oak tree, in the planting season immediately following the removal of the oak tree and shall be selected from the following list:

Fastigate English oak - *Quercus robur fastigiata*.

Swedish birch – *Betula pendula “Dalecarlica”*

Cut Leaved Rowan – *Sorbus aucuparia “Asplenifolia”*.

The replacement tree shall be planted in accordance with BS8545:2014 'Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape-Recommendations'; and BS:3936:1992 Part 1 of Part 4: 'Nursery Stock- Specification for trees and shrubs'.

Reason: To conserve and safeguard the visual amenities of the locality having due regard to policies CS16 and DM8 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy (2011) and the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 4 If within a period of 5 years from the date of the planting of a replacement tree, or any further tree planted in replacement; the tree is removed, uprooted, destroyed, dies or becomes, in the opinion of the local authority, seriously damaged or defective, another tree of the same species as that originally planted, pursuant to condition 'Tree Replacement'; shall be planted at the same location, unless the local planning authority gives its written consent to any variation.

Reason: To conserve and safeguard the visual amenities of the locality having due regard to policies CS16 and DM8 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy (2011) and the National Planning Policy Framework.