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Site Address: 5 Tree Side Way, Waterlooville, PO7 7JU  
Proposal: Crown raise overhanging tree branches and shrubs back to boundary within hatched area to 4 m subject to Woodland Order 1 of TPO 1092.  
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree  
Application No: APP/23/00597                      Expiry Date: 30/10/2023  
Applicant: Mrs Nina Pearson  
Agent:                      Case Officer: Peter Slegg  
Ward: Waterloo

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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**1    Site Description**

5 Tree Side Way, Waterlooville, PO7 7JU

**2    Planning History**

95/54628/002 - Conservatory at rear., PERM,29/06/1995  
90/54628/001 - First floor extension., PERM,  
APP/12/01029 - Fell 4No. self-seeded Sycamore saplings; reduce height of 1No. hedgerow tree by 2m and cut hedgerow back by 1m to fence. All within Woodland Order 1 of TPO 1092., PERM,28/11/2012

**3    Proposal**

Crown raise overhanging tree branches and shrubs back to boundary within hatched area to 4 m subject to Woodland Order 1 of TPO 1092.

**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 Mike Sceal**

**Councillor Peter Wade**

## **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: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

| <b>Comment</b> | <b>Officer Comment</b> |
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## **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 proposed works are targeted pruning works to raise the crown of the trees on the south facing canopy that overhang the highway. The works are appropriate, seeking to retain the amenity value of the trees but prevent them from being an obstruction to those accessing the highway.

7.4 The proposed works would maintain the important contribution of the trees to the amenity value of the area and would be in accordance with Policy DM8 of the Core Strategy (2011).

- 7.5 The works to the trees should form part of their long-term management to safeguard their health and amenity value and all works must be undertaken in accordance with 'British Standard 3998:2010 (BS3998:2010) – Tree Works – Recommendations'.

## 8 **Conclusion**

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

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## 9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/23/00597 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.