Site Address: 9 Gleneagles Drive, Waterlooville, PO7 8RX
Proposal: T1 -Oak tree, crown reduce by 2.5m in height & 2.5m on all sides leaving a height of 10m and width of 7.5m back to previous pruning points. Subject to TPO 1206.
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
Application No: APP/23/00539 Expiry Date: 29/09/2023
Applicant: Mrs M Whittle
Agent: Mr Mansell Case Officer: Peter Slegg
Hampshire Tree Services
Ward: Cowplain

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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1 Site Description

9 Gleneagles Drive, Waterlooville, PO7 8RX

2 Planning History

06/71860/000 - Application to crown lift to 4m a Common Oak tree (T14) subject to TPO 1206., PERM,19/12/2006
APP/13/00656 - Reduce crown by 2m and crown thin by 5% of 1No. Oak tree (T14) subject to TPO 1206., PERM,22/08/2013
APP/17/01346 - Crown reduce 1No. Oak (T14) by no more than 2m on all sides. Subject to TPO 1206., PERM,28/02/2018

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 Andrew Briggs

Councillor D Keast - Cowplain

Councillor Neil Bowdell - Cowplain

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

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 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 tree is part of a row of trees that face onto Woodcroft Lane that have been previously reduced, but there is no record of any recent activity to the tree in question and it still retains a high amenity value to the local area. The application includes a comprehensive report detailing the structural stability of the tree, alongside other notes, such as suspected utility works to the surrounding hardstanding and piling up of soil around the base.

7.4 The proposed works seek to reintroduce a management programme with re-inspection after three years from the date of the survey. This is responsible tree management, but any concerns should be reported immediately to the agent for re-inspection.

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

7.6 The proposed works seek to maintain the important contribution of the tree to the amenity value of the area and would be in accordance with Policy CS16 and DM8 of the Core Strategy (2011).

8 Conclusion

It is recommended that the works to the tree 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/23/00539 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.