

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

APPLICATION No.	APP/23/00449
LOCATION	Verge opp 86 Church Road junc of Manor Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0NX
PROPOSAL	Application for Prior Approval for the installation of a 15m high slim-line monopole, supporting 6no. antennas, 3no. equipment cabinets and ancillary development thereto.
RECOMMENDATION	Approve, subject to conditions
DATE	5 th July 2023

Reasons for Recommendation

The Council seeks to protect tree coverage in the Borough, sympathetically incorporating existing features into the overall design of a scheme including measures taken to ensure their continued survival.

The application would require the siting of a street pole and additional equipment cabinets on a grass verge in close proximity to a group of trees subject to Tree Preservation Order (TPO)(2069) to the south west of the site.

The trees subject to the TPO make a positive contribution towards the amenity of the area and due to their size and proximity to the development, there is the potential that the development may have a detrimental impact on the trees. Details of protection measures works in relation to the adjacent trees should be secured by condition prior to commencement and any pruning works, if required, should be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations in British Standard BS3998:2010 (Recommendations for Tree work).

The impact of the street pole in relation to the future canopy spread of the adjacent trees should also be considered with this application and conditions for tree protection and future management. Understanding the future management of the trees is to consider the potential future growth of the trees and their likelihood to interfere with the operation of the equipment. The purpose being to avoid reactive pruning works, which could reduce the amenity value of the trees.

If the officer were minded to grant permission for the application, the pruning works and tree protection measures should be secured by condition to be in accordance with Policy CS16 and DM8 of the Havant Core Strategy (2011).

Recommended Conditions:

Approval subject to the following conditions;

a) Pruning works:

Any required tree works shall be pruned in accordance with the recommendations in British Standard BS3998:2010 (Recommendations for Tree work).

Reason: To ensure the continuity of amenity value afforded by the trees in question and having due regard to policies CS16 and DM8 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy (2011) and the National Planning Policy Framework.

b) Tree protection measures:

No development, including site clearance, shall commence on the site until a dimensioned tree protection plan in accordance with Section 5.5 and an impact and method statement detailing precautions to minimise damage to trees in accordance with Section 6.1 of British Standard BS5837: 2012 (Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The details of the method statement must include an assessment of the long term impact of the adjacent trees that could have a

detrimental impact on the development and provide recommendations for pruning works to be undertaken that would retain the high amenity value of the trees.

Reason: To safeguard the continued health and presence of such existing vegetation and protect the amenities of the locality and having due regard to policies CS16 and DM8 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy (2011) and the National Planning Policy Framework.