
Site Address:	19 Billett Avenue, Waterlooville, PO7 7SZ		
Proposal:	Fell 1no. Multi-stemmed Alder (T2) subject to TPO 1609.		
Application Type:	Works to TPO Tree		
Application No:	APP/23/00423	Expiry Date:	22/08/2023
Applicant:	Mr Lewis		
Agent:	Mr Smith	Case Officer:	Peter Slegg
	Fellwood Tree Surgeons Ltd		
Ward:	Waterloo		

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

19 Billett Avenue, Waterlooville, PO7 7SZ

2 Planning History

03/68938/000 - Erection of detached single storey storage building to the south west of the dwellinghouse., REF,21/01/2004

04/68938/001 - Erection of a single storey storage building to the south west of the dwelling house (resubmission)., PERM,16/04/2004

04/68938/002 - Retention of a shed to the north of the dwelling house., PERM,31/03/2004

06/68938/003 - Conservatory., PERM,23/10/2006

APP/15/00386 - Reduce 1No. Multistem Maple by 4m in height and south and east sectors by 4m; reduce 3No. Yew by 1.8m in height and south and east sectors by 1.8m; reduce 1No. Maple by 3m in height and south and east sectors by 3.8m. Remove any dead, crossing or epicormic branches. All within A1 of TPO 1201., PERM,27/05/2015

APP/15/00907 - Crown reduce in height 1No. Yew and reduce south sector by 1m; crown reduce in height 1No. Oak and reduce north and east sectors by 3.5m. Remove any dead, crossing and epicormic branches as necessary for all trees as mentioned, subject to A1 of TPO 1201.

, PERM,08/10/2015

APP/17/00546 - Two storey side and rear extension. Single storey extension over existing ground floor conservatory (approved 17.07.17). Request to discharge condition 3 and 4 (24.05.18)., PERM,17/07/2017

APP/18/00549 - Attached drawings shows the location of the material storage compound (condition 3) and the vehicle parking (condition 4) proposed for the site for the duration of the works., UNK,

GEN/20/00488 - Fell 1No Ash and 1No Beech dead/ dangerous exception., UNK,

APP/20/00781 - 1No Beech (T1) on plan - Reduce back limbs to the fence line overhanging 83 Roundway by approx 3.5m, subject to TPO 1201 within A1., WD,26/10/2020

APP/23/00097 - Fell 1No.Alder multi-stemmed (T1 on plan), subject to TPO 1609., REF,29/03/2023

3 Proposal

Fell 1no. Multi-stemmed Alder (T2) subject to TPO 1609.

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: 9

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

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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 would remove a multi stemmed alder tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order. The tree contributes to the amenity of the area, but as identified in the supporting information, the tree is significantly leaning towards adjacent properties and given the nature of the codominance at the base of the tree this raises concern for its long term structural stability.
- 7.4 The weakness of the stems at the base will only increase over time, therefore increasing the likelihood of a significant stem failure. Given the target zone is high risk, being in a residential garden and close to adjacent structures, it is on balance accepted that the tree can be removed. Alternative options such as stem bracing could be investigated by the applicant if they were minded to retain the tree.
- 7.5 Whilst it is disappointing to see the removal of a protected tree, there are sound arboricultural reasons for the works and a replacement tree will be required to protect and enhance the amenity value of trees to the local area.
- 7.6 The location and species type of the replacement should be mindful of the site, the full maturity of the replacement tree and its contribution towards the amenity of the area. It is hoped that the replacement tree will grow to a mature age to mitigate the loss of the existing tree.
- 7.7 The proposed works 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.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/23/00423

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions

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.

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

One replacement tree is required to be planted to retain the integrity of the Tree Preservation Order 1609. The tree should be a minimum heavy standard with a stem girth of 12-14 cm at the time of planting. The location for replanting for the replacement tree is to be agreed in writing with the local authority, within 3 months after the tree's removal, with tree planting being undertaken in the first available planting season following removal. The replacement tree shall be planted in accordance with BS8545:2014 'Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape-Recommendations', BS:3936:1992 Part 1 of Part 4: 'Nursery Stock- Specification for trees and shrubs' and BS5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.

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.

If within a period of 5 years from the date of the planting of a replacement tree, or any further tree planted in replacement, 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 place, 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.