

Site Address: Hollybank Cottage, Long Copse Lane, Emsworth, PO10
7UR

Proposal: Reduce 4 branches on eastern sector of 1No. Oak (see plan) by upto
4.5m to allow clearance of telephone line. Subject to G1 of TPO 2063.

Application No: APP/21/00021 Expiry Date: 19/03/2021

Applicant: Dr Mason

Agent: Case Officer: Maria Stewart

Ward: Emsworth

1 Site Description

2 Planning History

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Tree Preservation Order no 2064 dated 28 April 2017 in respect of 3 oak trees and 2 groups of 6 oaks and also the Woodland Order referred to;

Deed dated 1 June 2017 regarding a Special Protection Area Contribution;

Deed dated 19 January 2018 regarding a Special Protection Area Contribution;

Stop notice reference 09/00013/ENF served on 2 October 2009;

Maintenance notice served in 201111/00143/CMP Burning on site - no action breach of condition APP/1074070 - 03/05/2011; and

TPO - Individual trees Number 1974.

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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 Julie Thain-Smith

Councillor Lulu Bowerman

Councillor R Kennett

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: 2

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 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 My inspection related specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally inspecting the tree's health and condition in any great detail. I visually inspected the tree from ground level and the following report deals with the relevant issues that have been raised on site, in the application form and from my site observations.

7.3 This proposed works relates to a tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order. The applicant has provided good clear evidence that this work is necessary to maintain his telephone and internet service which is provided via the overhead line. Looking at google streetview the oak has pushed out very noticeably to the east and so can comfortably afford to lose what is required to eliminate contact with the telephone line

8 **Conclusion**

The works is considered to be appropriate and proportional, therefore permission should be granted.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/21/00021

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/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 19/03/2022
Reason: To control the timing of the works