

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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 Clare Satchwell - Hayling East

Councillor I Scott Hayling West

Councillor Joanne Thomas

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: 7

Number of site notices: 1

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 application relates to the proposed works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order. The reasons for reduction are a little vague (shape, balance, reduce lean, reduce risk of damage to next door's outbuilding) and I have tried to contact the applicant by phone for more detail but have not heard back. Looking carefully on google streetview, the trees are not visible at all from Hollow Lane which is lined with large mature trees, and are only partially visible from outside 28 Victoria Avenue (which 30 Hollow Lane backs onto). I conclude that as the reduction is lateral only (limited to north side of both trees) and the trees are partially hidden away in back gardens, the visual impact of the reduction from public areas will be slight. Beech regrows readily and the applicant is specifying for reduction to growth nodes so all should be well, I have a good level of confidence in this application.

8 **Conclusion**

The works are considered to be appropriate and proportional, therefore permission should be given.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/20/01168

(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 02/03/2022

Reason: To control the timing of the works

