
Site Address: 4 The Gorseway, St Helens Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0DH

Proposal: 1No.Sycamore (T1 on plan) reduce height by 2m and width by 1.5-2m to leave height of 12m and width of 5-6m; 1No.Sycamore (T2) reduce height by 3-4m and width by 0.5m-1m to leave height of 12m and width of 6m; 1No. Macrocarpa (T3) reduce width on North, East, South and West sectors by 1-1.5m and height to match with natural shape to leave width of 10m and height of 11-12m; 4No.Poplars trees (T4,T5,T6,T7) re pollard back to previous pollarding points, subject to TPO 0963 within A1.

Application No: APP/20/00976

Expiry Date: 24/12/2020

Applicant: Mr Lancaster

Agent: Mr Smith

Case Officer: Maria Stewart

Fellwood Tree Surgeons Ltd

Ward: Hayling West

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

4 The Gorseway, St Helens Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0DH

2 Planning History

00/58150/002 - Crown reduce 2 Poplar trees and 3 Sycamore trees. Also remove lower branches and reduce western sector of a Holm Oak. All 6 trees are in the frontage of 4 The Gorseway and within Area A1 subject to TPO963., PERM,11/12/2000

93/58150/001 - Fell one Sycamore (B) covered by TPO 963., PERM,27/07/1993

93/58150/000 - Fell Monterey Cypress (A) and 1 Pine (D); pollard one Sycamore (B) and raise to 4m/ 5m and thin and reduce by 20% crown of Sycamore (C), all covered by TPO 963., PERM,

06/58150/003 - Application to carry out the following works: Scots Pine: cut back branch (growing to SW) overhanging adjacent property; 2No. Sycamores: Crown reduction of 20%, 2No. Poplars: Pollard; 2No. Evergreen Oaks: Crown raise to 5m. All trees within G1 of TPO 0963., UNK,

08/58150/004 - Pollard 2No. Poplar trees (P3 and P4), 40% crown reduction and rebalance crown of 1No. Macrocarpa (M). All trees within Area 1 subject to TPO 0963., PERM,14/03/2008

GEN/13/00739 - Is tree (Holm Oak) covered by a TPO?, 23/08/2013 15:23:56

APP/14/01138 - Reduce sides by 2-3m (over garden) and remove lowest branch to rebalance 1No. Monterey Pine; fell 1No. Sycamore; pollard 4No. Poplars; reduce side (facing property) by 3 metres; all trees are within Area 1 subject to TPO 0963., SPL,19/01/2015

APP/15/00377 - Crown reduce by 3m, south sector, back to secondary branches 1No. Macrocarpa, subject to A1 of TPO 0963., PERM,22/05/2015

APP/15/00418 - Reduce 1No. Monterey Pine by 2.3m over garden and remove lowest branch; fell 1No. Sycamore; pollard 4No. Poplars to previous pollarding points; reduce 1No. Macrocarpa by 3m towards house. All trees within A1 of TPO 0963., WD,01/05/2015

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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 Clare Satchwell - Hayling East

Councillor I Scott Hayling West

Councillor Joanne Thomas

Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council

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From a landscape perspective we have no adverse comments in relation to this application.

Kind regards,

Harry Mitchell CMLI
Landscape Architect
Havant Borough Council

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: 11

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 works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order. Due to Coronavirus work restrictions a site visit has not been possible. I have been able to identify the poplars T4 – T7 on Google StreetView and it is clear that these pollarded poplars are due for re pollarding with safety in mind, to eliminate the risk of re growth breaking off.

I have been unable to identify the 2 sycamores T1 and T2 or the Macrocarpa T3. All of the reduction work specified is moderate (not excessive). Sycamore and Macrocarpa are robust species which are highly tolerant of reduction work. The work specified will not dramatically alter the appearance of the trees, or harm them physiologically, and the trees can be expected to grow back and replace what has been removed within 3-5 years.

The proposed works are considered to be good Arboricultural practice and will not have a detrimental effect on the trees.

8 Conclusion

The work is considered 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/20/00976 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 24/12/2021.

Reason: To control the timing of the works.