
Site Address: 38 Bedhampton Hill, Havant, PO9 3JW
Proposal: Crown raise 1No. Indian Chestnut (T1 on plan) to 4.5m or to the height of the lowest primary branch, maximum cut diameter 75mm; reduce east facing branches of 1No. Beech (T2 on plan) by 2-3m up to the height of 15m to give the house a clearance of 3m; reduce west facing branches of 2No. Beech (T3 & T4 on plan) by 3-4m away from neighbouring property leaving a branch length of 6-7m to allow clearance for neighbouring property. Subject to TPO 1354.
Application No: APP/20/00871 Expiry Date: 16/11/2020
Applicant: Mrs Huntley
Agent: Mr Miller Case Officer: Maria Stewart
 Professional Tree Solutions
Ward: Bedhampton

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

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2 Planning History

01/56024/003 - Two storey side extension to existing property to incorporate new car port to the front., WD,23/10/2001
01/56024/004 - Two storey side extension to east of property and attached car port to front., PERM,17/01/2002
90/55295/002 - Two storey and single storey rear extensions., PERM,
91/56024/000 - Erection of enclosed swimming pool in rear garden., PERM,
05/50691/002 - Lateral branches are reduced to give 2m clearance to the house, 2m height reduction to 3No. Common Beech trees (T2,T3 and T4) of TPO 1354., PERM,15/12/2005
96/56024/002 - Crown lift and prune to clear building Beech trees and Indian Chestnut covered by TPO 1354
, PERM,24/05/1996

3 Proposal

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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 Gary Robinson

Councillor Kenneth Smith

Councillor Mark Inkster

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: 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 to undertake works to trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed pruning of one Indian Chestnut and two Beech trees.

The Indian Chestnut is located in the front garden and overhangs the road. The tree appeared to be in a reasonable condition. The intention to crown lift the tree will provide adequate clearance over the driveway, footpath and garden and will not have a negative impact on the tree.

The two Beech trees are mature specimens located adjacent to the western boundary of the property. Branches are now touching the roof of the applicant's property as well as the neighbour's property. The trees were viewed from the front of the property however they appeared to have good vigour and vitality for their age and species.

No information has been provided to suggest the condition of any of the trees is compromised therefore the work is purely to provide adequate clearance of footpaths and property.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 **Conclusion**

The work proposed is considered to be reasonable and proportionate and it will not have a negative impact on the health or amenity value of the trees, therefore permission should be granted.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/20/00871

(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 6/11/2021.

Reason: To control the timing of the works