

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

Pollard 4No. Sycamore to previous pruning points, subject to TPO 201.

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: St Faiths

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Councillor D Guest - St Faith's

Councillor J Branson - St Faiths

Councillor T Pike - St Faith's

Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council

Planning Application APP/20/00566 43 South Street, Havant, PO9 1BY

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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: 18

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

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 The trees subject to this application are mature sycamores that have been subject of a pollarding management regime. Given their position, they offer presence in the street scene and can be said to have public amenity value.

The trees were viewed from outside the site therefore a detailed inspection has not been undertaken, however the application has not been submitted because of any concerns over the structural integrity of the trees.

The works are considered reasonable management for the size of trees in their location and these works should not be detrimental to their health or amenity value. The pruning will also help to alleviate the applicants perceived problems with them.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 Conclusion

The work is considered to be appropriate and proportionate and therefore permission should be granted.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/20/00566 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 one year from the date of this decision notice.
Reason: To control the timing of the works