

Application No:	APP/20/00277	Expiry Date:	02/06/2020
Applicant:	Mr Brimage		
Agent:	Mr Clements	Case Officer:	Maria Stewart
	Clements Gardens		
Ward:	St Faiths		

Conservation Area: Not applicable.

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Councillor D Guest - St Faith's

Councillor J Branson - St Faiths

Councillor T Pike - St Faith's

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: 6

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 work to a tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed pruning of one Copper Beech tree in the garden of the property.

The applicant wishes to prune the tree back to the previous pruning points.

A desk based assessment of this application has been carried out due to COVID-19 restrictions, however the applicant has provided photos which clearly show the tree.

The crown appears healthy and vigorous and it is now dominating and overbearing on the house.

The tree has a history of being crown reduced and it is considered appropriate and proportionate to permit another crown reduction.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 **Conclusion**

The work proposed 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/20/00277

(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 1 year from the date of this decision.
Reason: To control the timing of the works