
Site Address: Wade Tower, Wade Lane, Havant, PO9 2TB
Proposal: Fell 12 No. Leylandii subject to Tree Preservation Order 0467.
Application No: APP/20/00458 Expiry Date: 20/08/2020
Applicant: Mr M Clark
Agent: Mr A Kaye Case Officer: Maria Stewart
 Blendworth Tree Surgeons
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

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2 Planning History

04/67694/000 - Internal alterations to provide ensuite bathrooms at 2nd and 3rd floors utilising existing drainage., PERM,19/11/2004
04/67694/001 - Application for Listed Building Consent to carry out internal alterations at first floor level., PERM,07/12/2004
08/67694/002 - Erection of a 6 metre white aluminium flagpole as indicated on attached photograph. To be fastened in position using steel brackets. These brackets would be in a similar position to existing rusted iron fittings which appear to have supported some form of pole in the past., UNK,
GEN/10/00343 - Tree works - DDD, ,21/06/2010 11:36:39
APP/10/00443 - Crown lift to 5m and reduce east side of Chestnut tree subject to TPO 0467. , PERM,07/10/2010
APP/10/00229 - Fell Sycamore saplings, 1No. Ash tree and 1No. Beech tree subject to TPO 0467., PERM,19/07/2010
APP/12/01101 - Crown raise 6No. trees comprising 4No. Holm Oak and 2No. Beech to 6m within Area Order 2 of TPO 0467., PERM,13/12/2012
GEN/16/01114 - Dead and dying trees., ,04/10/2016

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: Wade Court

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Chichester Harbour Conservancy

Conservation Officer

Councillor D Guest - St Faith's

Councillor J Branson - St Faiths

Councillor T Pike - St Faith's

Landscape Team

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: 5

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 and within a Conservation Area relates to the proposed felling of 12 Leylandii growing adjacent to a HaHa wall and adjacent to the northern boundary of the garden.

These trees were clearly planted as a hedge but then left without management. They have been previously topped and are poor quality specimens. Their roots are now causing extensive damage to the wall and need to be removed.

The applicant expressed an intention to replace with bay hedging.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 **Conclusion**

The trees are poor quality specimens and should be removed.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/20/00458

(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 [.....].

Reason: To control the timing of the works

3 In the first planting season following the date of felling; 1 replacement tree is planted. The tree should be a minimum 1.5 metres tall at the time of planting and should comply with BS3936:Part 1:1992. It should be planted within the area of the trees to be removed. It should also be selected from the following species:

1. Fagus sylvatica (Beech)

2. Ginkgo biloba (Maidenhair)

or such other size, species, location or period of time as may be agreed in writing with the Council.

If within a period of three years any tree planted as a replacement is cut down, felled, uprooted, removed, or die, or becomes in the opinion of the Council seriously damaged or defective:

- a) the Council shall be notified as soon as is reasonably practicable; and
- b) another tree of the same species and size shall be planted in the same location at a time agreed in writing with the Council unless the Council agrees to dispense with or vary the requirement.

Reason: To conserve and safeguard the visual amenities of the locality.