
Site Address: 11 Bladon Close, Havant, PO9 2QA
Proposal: 1No. Walnut (T1) crown reduce by 2m and remove smaller diameter branch growing to the east. Subject to TPO 1279.
Application No: APP/19/00969 Expiry Date: 21/11/2019
Applicant: Mr C Burgess
Agent: Mrs K Whittle Case Officer: Maria Stewart
 Bailey Bros (Southern) Ltd
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

11 Bladon Close, Havant, PO9 2QA

2 Planning History

06/71832/000 - Application to remove lower branch of a Walnut tree (T6) subject to TPO 1279., PERM,18/12/2006
APP/15/00769 - Tree works., UNK,
APP/16/00017 - Crown reduce 1No. Walnut (T6) by 2m and reduce lowest branch of tree by 4m back to main growth point subject to TPO1279., PERM,23/02/2016

3 Proposal

1No. Walnut (T1) crown reduce by 2m and remove smaller diameter branch growing to the east. Subject to TPO 1279.

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 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 small mature Walnut located in the rear garden of 11 Bladon Close.

The application has been made to balance the crown and allow more light into the garden. The tree leans into the garden however this appears to be historical and there is no evidence to suggest the lean is increasing. The agent hasn't provided any

information to suggest otherwise. The scope of work has been amended with the applicant as it was considered that a 3m reduction would be detrimental to the health of the tree.

The tree has a limited public amenity value given its location, however it can be glimpsed from Bladon close.

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/19/00969

(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 21/11/2020.
Reason: To control the timing of the works