

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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 Gwen Robinson

Councillor Mike Seal

Councillor Peter Wade

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: 7

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 1

Comment	Officer Comment
(REDACTED), I have no objection to the planning application but there is no mention of the oak tree that borders our property. I have mentioned to our neighbour about this. My neighbour (REDACTED) has complained to me about it. Both rear gardens are in shade from the afternoon onwards, the tree has been allowed to grow bigger and bigger, it overhangs our fence and is growing into the trees on either side causing them to lean. Nothing grows in the shade of the tree, and it is affecting our rear grass. Also the lightning strikes the tree then arcs across to our TV aerial and has	The Council can only deal with the application put forward.

caused the plaster to be blown off, which we had to get re-plastered before decorating, it blew up several electronic appliances resulting in great expense. So it is starting to cause damage.	
The tree is too big and something needs to be done.	

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 two Oak trees. Both trees are now touching the property.

One tree is located at the side of the property (north) between the house and road. It has been pruned before in order to manage this small tree in its location. The intention to prune back to the previous pruning points will not harm the health or amenity value of the tree.

One tree is located in the rear garden of the property, its branches are now almost touching the house and the intention to prune those branches back and crown lift the tree will not harm its health or amenity value.

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/19/00953

(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 02/12/2020.
Reason: To control the timing of the works