

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Councillor Gary Robinson

Councillor Kenneth Smith

Councillor Mark Inkster

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: 4

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 This application to undertake work to a tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed pruning of one mature Oak tree located in the rear garden of the property adjacent to the rear boundary fence.

The tree is in decline, it has reduced vigour and vitality and a thinning canopy. There

is an extensive wound on the main stem and the bark is falling away.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 Conclusion

Given its proximity to residential gardens the work proposed is considered to be necessary to reduce the risk of failure. Permission should therefore be granted.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/19/00978

(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 22/11/2020.
Reason: To control the timing of the works