



Havant Borough Council
Public Service Plaza
Civic Centre Road
Havant
PO9 2AX

22nd January 2019

Dear Ms Stewart,

Planning application: APP/18/01305

Proposal: Cutback branches overhanging 9 Treeside Way of 5No. Holly, 6No. Yew, 2No. Hawthorn and 1No. Elm; crown reduce height of 1No. Ash by upto 1.5m. All trees subject to Woodland order TPO 1092. | Park Wood, Adjacent to 9 Tree Side Way, Queens Road, Waterloooville

As the UK's leading woodland conservation charity, the Trust aims to protect native woods, trees and their wildlife for the future. Through the restoration and improvement of woodland biodiversity and increased awareness and understanding of important woodland, these aims can be achieved. We own over 1,250 sites across the UK, covering around 23,000 hectares (57,000 acres) and we have 500,000 members and supporters.

This application relates to trees which form the boundary of the Woodland Trust's site Park Wood (SU685103), which is partly designated as ancient semi-natural woodland (ASNW) on Natural England's Ancient Woodland Inventory.

Whilst the Woodland Trust has a responsibility to ensure the safety of trees which form the boundary of our site, the Woodland Trust **objects** to the above application with regard to the reduction of the height of an ash tree. Proposed works to the ash tree are in relation to shading of the applicant's garden, which the Trust does not consider to be an appropriate reason to reduce the canopy of the woodland, which is managed for the benefit of wildlife.

We hope our comments are of use to you; if you would like to discuss the Trust's position in more detail, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

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