

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

3 Proposal

Crown lift 1No. Oak to 3m and crown thin by 10%; Crown reduce 1No. Oak by 2m on northside and removal of 3 lowest lateral limbs on northside. Subject to A1 of TPO 1206.

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

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
I am wholly supportive of this application, indeed I urge the applicants to go further and make a significant reduction to the crown and spread of these two trees. They frame my garden and are a significant detriment to my light and amenity. They pose a real risk of structural damage to my property, and collapse through disease or adverse weather would have the potential to cause major structural devastation. Other trees in this area have been substantially reduced and I would urge the Council to allow these two trees to	Comments noted.

be similarly treated.	

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 trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed pruning of two Oaks. One in the front garden and one in the rear.

Both trees are considered to have significant public amenity value and appear to have good vigour and vitality.

The work proposed is considered reasonable and proportionate to manage the trees in their location.

8 **Conclusion**

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/18/00334

(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 21/05/2019.
Reason: To control the timing of the works

