

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.
Conservation Area: Langstone

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council

Planning Application APP/18/00684 59-61 Langstone Road, Havant, PO9 1RB

Fell 3No. Common Hornbeam, 1 No. Sycamore, 1No. Common Hawthorn and 2No. Common Ash within Conservation Area of Langstone.

From a landscape perspective we have no adverse comments in relation to this application.

Kind regards,

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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: 3

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

Comment	Officer Comment

Summary:

Comment:

7 Planning Considerations

- 7.1 This notice of intent to undertake works to trees within the Langstone Conservation Area relates to the proposed felling of 7 trees within the property boundary. Two Hawthorns have been included in the application but only dead wood is being removed and therefore notice not required.

Three Hornbeams stand in a row to the north of the property, along the boundary. They are old pollards and the lack of management of them has led to significant regrowth which is now engulfing the roof and side of the property. The old pollard points have rot clearly visible and the trees are now affecting the boundary wall and pathway. Being set back off the road, their public amenity value is limited and there is enough tree cover in the area that their removal will not impact the appearance of the Conservation Area.

One Sycamore stands immediately behind the property. It is a mature specimen which has a weak inclusion running down from the main fork to ground level, the tree is not suitable to be retained for this reason and should be removed.

One Hawthorn is to be felled along the rear boundary of the property. It is a small, spindly specimen and has two pockets of decay visible. It should be removed.

Two mature Ash trees stand along the southern boundary of the property. Both are multi stemmed and have weak inclusions at the base with pockets of decay. They are also showing early signs of Ash dieback. They are located along the driveway leading to the neighbouring property and along this drive stand a number of other trees. The removal of these to Ash will enable the neighbouring trees to thrive.

In conclusion I agree with the agents findings and the removal and pruning of the trees is necessary, they are not of suitable condition to warrant Tree Preservation Order protection and therefore no objection should be raised to this proposal. Although it cannot be conditioned the agent said that the owner will look into planting suitable replacements in the garden.

8 Conclusion

Raise no objection

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/18/00684 subject to the following conditions