

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

02/57090/005 - Single storey rear extension., PERM,27/01/2003
00/57090/004 - Crown reduce by 2-3m and crown raise up to 5m a Sycamore tree (T3) within 23 Brookside Road subject to TPO 496, PERM,19/10/2000
99/57090/003 - Notification of intention to crown reduce a Sycamore tree overhanging Bidbury La
wn, Bidbury Lane and within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,29/03/1999
97/57090/002 - notice of intention to fell 6 no Sycamore trees within Old Bedhampton Conservati
on Area, RNO,08/08/1997
96/57090/001 - Crown lifting and reduction of Sycamore in rear garden covered by TPO 496, PERM,17/12/1996
92/57090/000 - Replacement garage, car port and porch extension., PERM,
04/57090/006 - Application to remove lowest branches (pointing east) and 3 branches on other stem; crown raise to 6m of a Sycamore (T3) subject of TPO 496., PERM,12/07/2004
04/57090/007 - Crown reduce two conifer trees by 40%, remove branches and crown raise to 6m a Sycamore tree and crown reduce by 3m another Sycamore tree. All 4 trees within Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,12/07/2004
05/57090/008 - Fell 2No. Conifers and Cedar tree and crown reduce a Sycamore by 2m within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,10/11/2005
05/57090/009 - Application to crown reduce by 2 metres a Sycamore and to fell 3No. Conifers and 1No. Cedar within the Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., NPW,06/01/2006
07/57090/010 - Crown thin of 20% and crown reduction of 20% and removal of lower branch to the south a Silver Birch tree; for height reduction of 2 metres and face up sides a Leylandii; and for crown reduction of 2.5 metres to 4 Conifers, a Bay tree and a Hawthorn all within the curtilage of 23 Brookside Road within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,22/05/2007
APP/11/00150 - Cut back to old pollard points 1No. Sycamore tree (T1) and group of Conifer trees (T2), and crown reduce by 25% 1No. Pear tree. All within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,01/04/2011
APP/11/01077 - Fell 1No. Bay tree, crown reduce 1No. Hawthorn tree by 2m and 4No.

Cypress trees by 1m all within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,22/07/2011

3 Proposal

Crown reduce 1No. Monterey Cypress (T1) by 2.5m on western crown and crown reduce 7No. Cypress (T2) by 2m to previous pruning points, within Conservation Area Old Bedhampton.

4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework
Havant Borough Council Borough Design Guide SPD December 2011
Havant Borough Council Parking SPD July 2016

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: Old Bedhampton

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Landscape Team

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: 5

Number of site notices: 1

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.

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.

The application relates to a mature Monterey Cypress tree and a number of boundary line Cypress trees located at a property in Brookside Road, which falls within the conservation of Bedhampton. The trees are highly visible from the street scene and possess a high amenity value.

The Conifer trees are located on the bank of a stream and show no obvious signs of poor basal condition. The main stems are partially Ivy clad and there is evidence of previous minor limb removals on the main stems. Their crowns appear to be displaying normal vigour and vitality. The proposed works would be consistent with their previous management and would maintain their size for their location without causing detriment to their health or the amenity value they possess.

The base of the Monterey Cypress could not be assessed due to surrounding dense shrubs. There are signs of previous pruning works and the tree is displaying normal vigour and vitality. The crown is slightly bias towards the west and the proposed works would bebalance the crown's shape and minimise the amount of falling debris onto the garden below. These works would not detriment the health of this large specimen, nor would they detriment the visual amenity of the street scene.

8 **Conclusion**

Raise No Objection

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/17/00836

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions