

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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: 10

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 1

Comment	Officer Comment
Details in application are contradictory. on the sketch the chestnut is tree T1 (not T6) and tree T6 is a pine not chestnut. Clarify?	confirmed that the tree is a Sycamore and T14. No further comments received.

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 carry out work to a tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed felling of one Sycamore tree located in the rear garden of the property, almost centrally in the lawn.

The application wishes to fell the tree on the grounds that it is diseased and dying, too close to house, low amenity value and out of place in relation to other trees in the garden.

The Arboricultural Officer comments that the Sycamore is a mature specimen, with lichen on the main stem. No evidence was found to suggest the tree was diseased and it is not dying. The tree is located in the rear garden of the property, and having walked down Granville Close, Pook Lane, and Emsworth Road, the tree is barely visible in the public domain with only glimpses of the tree at a couple of points.

The tree has been crowned reduced previously and if this work was carried out again the tree would not be visible at all. Therefore, due to its limited public amenity value permission should be granted to fell the tree.

No replacement planting is required in this instance.

8 **Conclusion**

Permit

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/18/00442

(A)

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

- 2 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 16/07/2019.

Reason: To control the timing of the works