
Site Address:	St Thomas Church, Bidbury Lane, Havant		
Proposal:	Remove 3No. 150mm limbs on southern sector of 1No. Yew tree, subject to TPO 0496.		
Application No:	APP/17/01335	Expiry Date:	08/02/2018
Applicant:	Mr A Skeet		
	Norse South East		
Agent:		Case Officer:	Maria Stewart
Ward:	Bedhampton		

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

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2 Planning History

00/55956/005 - Reduce western sector and deadwood a Yew tree (T11). Crown raise up to 2m and deadwood a Yew tree (T12). Crown reduce by 40% a Sycamore tree (T14). All three trees are within St Thomas Church and subject to TPO496., PERM,04/12/2000

00/55956/004 - Crown reduce by 30% (approx) and removal of lowest limb on south-east of a Sycamore tree (T13) subject to TPO 496., PERM,23/03/2000

91/55956/001 - Notification of intention to reduce and reshape crown of Sycamore in Bedhampton

Conservation Area by 15/20%, RNO,12/04/1991

91/55956/000 - Lift crown on Sycamore (T13) covered by TPO 496 to 4m, reduce and reshape crown

by 30/35%, PERM,

92/55956/002 - Extension to north east corner of church and porch door (as amended by drawings

and details received on 13/10/92 and 24/11/92)., PERM,

06/55956/006 - Application to crown lift to 4m two Yew trees (T11and T12) subject of TPO 0496., PERM,24/04/2006

06/55956/007 - Notification of intention to crown reduce by 20% two Cherry trees within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,24/04/2006

06/55956/008 - Application to reduce end loading of limb overhanging road, a Common Yew (T12) and fit two expanses of cobra bracing and to fit a new pole to Common Yew (T11) both subject to TPO 0496., PERM,19/12/2006

06/55956/009 - Tree Works., UNK,

07/55956/010 - Application to remove broken chain link support, and carry out selective pruning for health and safety provision to a Common Yew tree (T12) subject to TPO 0496., PERM,22/03/2007

08/55956/011 - Application to crown lift Cherry tree by 2 metres, removal of stem to Oak, crown lift Yew and removal of damaged branch., PERM,05/06/2008

APP/10/00980 - Crown reduce by 30% 2No. Sycamore trees. Prune clear of lamp and reduce secondary leader at 4m (east side) 1No. Oak tree. Prune 2m clear of church wall 1No. Yew tree. Prune clear of monuments 1No. Yew tree. All subject to TPO 0496. , PERM,21/01/2011

APP/10/00988 - Crown raise to 2m 1No. Birch tree. Crown raise to 2.5m 1No.

Sycamore tree. Crown raise to 2.5m 1No. Cherry tree. Prune clear of monuments
1No. Yew tree. All within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area. , RNO,21/02/2011
APP/12/00709 - Remove 1No. 100mm lateral on east side of 1No. Oak (T10) subject
to TPO 0496., PERM,09/11/2012
APP/12/00741 - Remove 8No. 800mm laterals on east side of 1No. Sycamore;
remove 6No. 100mm laterals on east side of 1No. Cherry; crown raise to 4m on east
side of 1No. Cherry; all within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,24/08/2012
GEN/13/00226 - Proposed replacement and re-siting of notice board, UNK,
APP/14/00395 - Crown reduce 1No. Sycamore to previous pruning points, and
remove 200mm of primary limb at 1.8m east side of 1No. Cherry. Both trees located
within Old Bedhampton Conservation Area., RNO,19/05/2014
APP/15/01086 - Fell 1 No. Sycamore (T13) subject to TPO 0496., WD,22/10/2015
APP/17/01332 - Remove badly damaged primary stem on 1no. Cherry tree within
Conservation Area Old Bedhampton., RNO,

3 Proposal

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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: Old Bedhampton

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Conservation Officer

Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council

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From a landscape perspective we have no objections 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: 6

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.

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 The tree subject of this application is a small mature Yew tree located in the church yard and leaning out over Bidbury Lane. The works proposed is the removal of 3 150mm limbs on the southern sector of the tree. The tree appears to have good vigour and vitality for its age and species but the branches are hanging low and there is not adequate clearance to walk underneath or to have sufficient clearance over the road. Removing the three branches will alleviate these issues and will not harm the health or amenity value of the tree.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 Conclusion

Permission

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/17/01335

(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 08/02/19.
Reason: To control the timing of the works