

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

00/54530/008 - Relief of condition 2 of Planning Permission 91/54530/2 to allow permission to apply to any member or fellow of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, PERM,27/06/2000

95/54530/006 - Felling of Horse Chestnut covered by TPO 589, WD,21/02/1995

95/54530/007 - 25% reduction of crown of Horse chestnut (T2) subject to TPO 589., PERM, 94/54530/004 - Reduce by 20%-25% crown of Willow covered by TPO 589., PERM,30/03/1994

94/54530/005 - Reduction by 30% of crown of willow covered by TPO 589., PERM, 90/54530/000 - Change of use of building from residential to residential with the use of part o f the ground floor as a nursery school for 24 children for 36 weeks of the year., PERM, 90/54530/001 - Change of Use from residential to residential/veterinary surgery., PERM,11/10/1990

91/54530/002 - Continued use of property for residential/veterinary surger, PERM,21/11/1991

92/54530/003 - Reduce and rebalance by 30% crown of Willow and thin by 10% crown of Horse Chest nut both covered by TPO 589, PERM, GEN/10/00217 - Would like to know what impact TPO trees will have on potential development of land., ,07/06/2010 11:06:07

GEN/10/00440 - Proposed new 4 bed chalet bungalow in rear of site address., UNK, APP/12/00401 - Change of use from Veterinary Surgery (Class D1) on ground floor to residential, to revert to 1No. 4 bed house over 2 floors., PERM,25/06/2012

APP/12/01063 - Fell 1No. Leylandii (T2); crown reduce 1No. Horse Chestnut (T3) by 2m all round; all subject to TPO 1935. Crown lift 1No. Horse Chestnut (T2) to 3m; subject to TPO 0589. , PERM,26/11/2012

GEN/14/00304 - Proposed installation of wood burner., UNK, APP/14/00968 - Reduce crown height by 1.5m, north/east/west sector by 1m and south sector by 0.5m, 1No. Yew tree subject to TPO 1935., PERM,28/10/2014

3 Proposal

Crown reduce 2.5m overall to previous pruning points 1No. Horse Chestnut Tree (T1) subject to TPO 1935, Crown raise by 5.5m and crown reduce to give 2.5m clearance on north east sector 1No. Horse Chestnut Tree (T2) subject to TPO 0589.

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: Not applicable.

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 application relates to two mature Horse Chestnut trees located in the front and rear of the property.

The Horse Chestnut numbered T1 on the application form is located in the rear garden of the property. The Horse Chestnut has been maintained regularly over the years and the intention is to prune back to previous pruning points by reducing branches by 2.5 metres overall. The tree is in a fair condition but there is evidence of bleeding canker and leaf minor. It has a limited public amenity value due to its location at the rear of the property. The proposed pruning should not impact the tree and will keep it at a manageable size.

The Horse Chestnut numbered T2 on the application form is located in the northern corner of the front garden, adjacent to the Horndean Road. The work proposed is to crown lift to 5.5 metres and crown reduce to give 2.5 metres clearance of the adjacent neighbouring property. The base is surrounded by hedging therefore an inspection of the base and lower stem was unable to be carried out. Leaf minor is present but otherwise the trees appeared to be in a fair condition. The branches are now below the statutory clearance required for roads and crown lifting will alleviate this. The branches are also encroaching the neighbouring property and the crown reduction will remove the encroachment. The work is considered good management and should not harm the health or amenity value of a tree which has a high public amenity value.

8 **Conclusion**

Permission

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/17/01079 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 one year from the date of the permission.
Reason: To control the timing of the works