

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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: 4

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 tree subject to this application is a large mature Oak set within the rear garden of a two story dwelling. The tree offers restricted views to the street scene and adds to the verdant nature of the area. The works applied for are considered to be reasonable management for this tree due to its size, species and location. The works if undertaken should not detriment the health of the tree or impact negatively on the public amenity value offered.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/17/01170 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 pruning/surgery for which consent is hereby granted shall not exceed the following: Crown lift 1No. Oak (T1) to 5m from ground removing lowest limb (secondary limb to the primary scaffold) on south west sector, crown reduce by 2m, reduce width by 1m on north east sector and by 2m on south west sector, subject to TPO 1334.

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s) and its/their importance in the local landscape.

- 3 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 28/12/18

Reason: To control the timing of the works