
Site Address: Roots, 24 Avenue Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0LX
Proposal: Crown reduce by 2.8m overall, crown raise to 5.5m, and remove any dead, crossing or epicormic branches as necessary of 1No. Oak, subject to TPO 1571.
Application No: APP/17/00273 Expiry Date: 09/05/2017
Applicant: Mrs Packham
Agent: Mr J Petley Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
 JP Tree & Garden Services
Ward: Hayling West

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Roots, 24 Avenue Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0LX

2 Planning History

01/55533/002 - Fell an Oak tree (T1) at Roots, 24 Avenue Road, subject to TPO 1517., REF,23/11/2001
90/55533/000 - Single storey side extension., REF,
APP/10/00808 - Tree works., UNK,
APP/11/00181 - Crown reduce by 1.5-2.5m (15-25%) and crown thin by 15-25% 1No. Oak tree subject to TPO 1517., PERM,07/06/2011

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: 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: 9

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

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 a mature Oak tree at a property in Avenue Road on Hayling Island. The tree is located on the northern boundary with the public highway. As such, it possesses unrestricted views from the street scene and represents a significant amenity value to the local area. The main stem is located in a raised flower bed and has a leaning bias towards the south, however there are no obvious signs of poor basal condition. There is evidence of previous limb removals on the main stem at an approximate height of 4m with the wounds having occluded well. Within the crown, there is the presence of some deadwood and signs of previous management, however the tree is budding and therefore appears to be displaying what is normal in vigour and vitality. The proposed works specify a crown reduction of 2.8m, which would reduce the branches to suitable growth points and would not detriment the overall health of the tree. Additionally, the application includes a crown raise to a

height of 5.5m, which would ease the free movement of vehicles on the highway and the property's driveway, while also reducing any shading nuisance to the dwelling itself. These works would be considerable sensible cyclical management, which would be sensitive to the health of the tree but without the loss of public amenity to the street scene.

8 **Conclusion**

Recommend Permission

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/17/00273

(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 pruning/surgery for which consent is hereby granted shall not exceed the following: Crown reduce by 2.8m overall, crown raise to 5.5m, and remove any dead, crossing or epicormic branches as necessary of 1No. Oak, subject to TPO 1571.
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 09/05/18.
Reason: To control the timing of the works