

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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: 6

Number of site notices: At least one site notice exists - check the number.

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 a mature Monterey Cypress tree located within the front curtilage of a property in Park Lane, Cowplain. The tree has unrestricted views from the street scene and has prominent views from both Park Lane and Idsworth Road since the property sits on the corner of these two roads.

The base of the main stem is surrounded by a soil bed and there are no obvious signs of poor basal condition. It was noted that a brick boundary wall has been constructed extremely close to the main stem and the wall bridges where the main stem's base spreads to the root plate at ground level. Further growth of the tree will eventually cause structural defects to the wall. The tree appears to be normal in vigour and vitality. Consent has recently been granted to prune the tree and this work has been undertaken,

however the previous application did not take into consideration the proximity to the guttering and roof. This further application is for consent to crown lift the branches all round to prevent any damage occurring to the dwelling.

It is clear from visiting the property that there is only a very limited clearance of the building therefore the work proposed is considered an appropriate course of action and should not harm the tree.

8 **Conclusion**

Permission

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/17/01098

(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 1 year from the date of the decision notice.
Reason: To control the timing of the works