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Site Address: 52 Place Crescent, Waterlooville, PO7 5UP  
Proposal: Fell 1No. Beech tree, within Area A1, subject to TPO 1005.  
Application No: APP/16/01144                      Expiry Date: 09/01/2017  
Applicant: Mr Ellwood  
Agent: Mr Dinenege                      Case Officer: Jamie Gargett  
            Hambledon Tree and Garden  
            Services  
Ward: Stakes

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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**1     Site Description**

52 Place Crescent, Waterlooville, PO7 5UP

**2     Planning History**

93/54584/003 - Erection of flue on roof to front elevation., PERM,  
90/54584/000 - A single storey extension to the back of the house with a sloping roof.,  
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90/54584/001 - Single storey rear extension., PERM,15/10/1990  
APP/13/00719 - Crown reduce 1No. Beech tree by 2m and removal of deadwood,  
subject to Area Order A1 of TPO 1005., PERM,13/09/2013

**3     Proposal**

Fell 1No. Beech tree, within Area A1, subject to TPO 1005.

**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: 4

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 This application is for the felling of a suppressed semi- mature Beech tree found in the rear garden of a dwelling in Place Crescent. The tree's health could not be assessed due to restricted access to the property. It has restricted views from the street scene and as such possesses a poor amenity value but it can be seen between neighbouring properties. The main stem and canopy are leaning heavily westwards and extends over the neighbouring boundary. This tree forms part of a Group T.P.O and it is a poor example of this species of tree. This consideration in conjunction with its poor amenity value and the potential safety aspect due to the angle of the main stem, would make the felling of this tree permissible. Since the garden is of a relatively small size and possesses another mature Beech tree, there would be little scope for a replanted specimen and therefore no condition has been added with the recommendation.

The owner of the tree has made contact with the Council and stated that they do not wish for the tree to be felled. As part of the conditions for this application the applicant has been informed that to undertake any works they must first obtain written permission from the owner.

## **8 Conclusion**

Recommend Permission

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## **9 RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/16/01144

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 Fell 1No. Beech tree, within Area A1, subject to TPO 1005.  
This tree is not within the ownership of the applicant and as such should the applicant wish to fell this tree they must obtain written permission from the owners before undertaking any works.  
**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 09/01/18.  
**Reason:** To control the timing of the works.