

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

Landscape Team - No objection

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: 5

Number of site notices: 1

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.

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.

These two Beech trees are located at a property in Manor Close within the conservation area of St.Faiths. Both are located within the front curtilage of a property that is accessed only by a footpath and as such, they possess unrestricted views from the street scene.

The trees are semi-mature specimens with their main stems surrounded by dense planting and are heavily Ivy clad. Each crown has been heavily managed in the past due to their close proximity to the footpath and their location in a relatively small front garden. The canopy appears to be displaying what is normal in vigour and vitality.

The works included in the application would remove the regrowth and maintain their size in relation to their position, as well as minimising the shading to the property while also allowing the ease of pedestrian movement along the footpath. This would not cause detriment to the overall health of the trees, the amenity value they possess or to the aesthetic integrity of the conservation area.

8 **Conclusion**

Raise No Objection

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/17/00372

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions