
Site Address: 11 Bracken Heath, Waterlooville, PO7 8RH
Proposal: Lateral reduction up to 3m (eastern sector) to 1No. Oak to rear of 11 Bracken Heath. Subject to G2 of TPO 1150.
Application No: APP/16/01191 Expiry Date: 11/01/2017
Applicant: Mr Wilson
 David Wilson Homes
Agent: Mr Garrick Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
 Bourne Landscape Consultants
Ward: Cowplain

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

11 Bracken Heath, Waterlooville, PO7 8RH

2 Planning History

APP/10/00999 - Tree works., UNK,
APP/13/00823 - Crown lift eastern sector of 1No. Oak at rear of 10 and 11 Bracken Heath by 6m, within G2 of TPO 1150., PERM,14/10/2013
GEN/13/00890 - Proposed rear extension., UNK,
GEN/15/00719 - History search relating to Enforcement Notice dated 1983., ,28/07/2015 11:31:31
APP/16/00241 - Fell 2No. Oaks subject to TPO 1150 within Group Order G3. PERM,27/05/2016
GEN/16/01071 - Oak tree on Park Lane Bridleway., ,30/09/2016
APP/16/01112 - Crown lift eastern sector of 1No. Oak by 6m within G2 of TPO 1150 to rear of 11 Bracken Heath. WD,03/11/2016

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

Arboriculturalist

County Waste Management

Property Management (formerly County Estates Department) Hampshire County Council

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 The application is in relation to a mature Oak tree found behind a property in Bracken Heath and is located in the verge of a public footpath. The base of the tree was unable to be assessed due to a large amount of undergrowth and piled leaves surrounding the main stem with the tree showing evidence of previous maintenance pruning to raise the crown. The tree possess minimal amenity value since it has restricted views from the street scene. The canopy extends over the neighbouring rear gardens and is producing excessive shading of natural light into the properties. The proposed reduction of 3m to the lateral branches on the eastern aspect that overshadow the dwellings, would have the desired effect of reducing the shading and minimising the amount of falling debris into the gardens without causing detriment to the amenity value or the health of the tree.

8 **Conclusion**

Recommend Permission

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/16/01191

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: Lateral reduction up to 3m (eastern sector) to 1No. Oak to rear of 11 Bracken Heath. Subject to G2 of TPO 1150.
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 11/01/18.
Reason: To control the timing of the works