
Site Address: 37 Park Crescent, Emsworth, PO10 7NT
Proposal: 1No Birch (T1) crown reduction to previous pruning points by 3 metres, leaving a height of 12 metres height by 9 metres width. Subject to TPO 1214.
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
Application No: APP/24/00168 Expiry Date: 30/04/2024
Applicant: Lynch
Agent: Mr Fazackarley Case Officer: Tree Officer
Michael Reed & Co Tree Service Ltd
Ward: Emsworth

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

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2 Planning History

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

Councillor Grainne Rason

Councillor Lulu Bowerman

Councillor R Kennett

County Waste Management

Emsworth Residents Forum

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: 43

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 this tree and whether this could also be harmful to the ongoing health and vitality of the tree.

7.2 This report relates specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally inspecting the tree's health and condition in any detail.

T1 is a small mature silver birch, located on the northern frontage of the property. The birch is prominent in the street scene and can be readily viewed from nearby public viewpoints.

The tree provides visual amenity and canopy cover and contributes to the ecosystem services of the area.

7.6 The reasons proposed for the pruning works are for maintenance. The tree has been previously crown-reduced and has evidently responded well to pruning. A streetlight stands several metres to the east of the tree, and a telecom distribution pole stands a few metres east of the tree, with overhead telephone lines running through the tree canopy.

The proposed pruning works appear to be reasonable in this case.

7.11 The application form does not offer any concerns over the health and condition of the tree.

8 Conclusion

It is recommended that the works to the tree should be granted consent subject to conditions.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/24/00168 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 one year from the date of this decision notice.

Reason: To control the timing of the works.