

Planning Inspectorate
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol
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4th March 2024

Dear Sirs,

Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation)(England) Regulations 2012, SI
no.605 Application for Consent to Carry out Works to Protected Trees

Planning Application no APP/23/00387
Planning Inspectorate appeal ref APP/TPO/X1735/9779
Appellant : Mr Haynes

We wish to make representation to add to our earlier comments under section 6
Community Involvement of the original application.

Adding:

- 1) The cracks in the stone window cills in our East wall nearest the Lime Tree have opened further.
- 2) The Victorian brick party wall with 105 Havant Road continues to deteriorate and a new crack has recently appeared.
- 3) 105 does not have, what is loosely described as, 'foundations'.
We are aware of the significant cracks in their rear elevation due to the ingress of the tree's roots and associated heave. We support their application to remove the tree.
We are concerned that if the tree is allowed to remain in situ, further structural damage is likely to occur. Any remedial building work would be substantial, costly and will result in extensive damage to the root system of the tree and its possible demise. With the increase in storms accompanied by gale force winds in this area, we are concerned that the tree may, with its root system so weakened, fall on our kitchen roof and cause extensive damage and possible injury.
The roots are causing a problem to our foul water drain which runs between the two properties close by the Lime Tree.
If the tree is not removed, we are concerned that further cracks will appear in the East elevation of our property and may oblige us to consider underpinning.

We understand that insurance companies take a dim view of Councils who refuse applications to remove a tree when there are significant, structural and health and safety reasons supporting the application.

- 4) Our neighbours at 105, have already made significant improvements to their rear garden, replacing gravel/slabs with lawn and a large selection of shrubs and plants in order to attract more wild life and create new bio diverse habitats. We applaud their actions.

Yours faithfully,

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