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Site Address: 16 Manor Close, Havant, PO9 1BD  
Proposal: Fell, grind and replant 4No. Conifer trees G1 and T1 on the arial plan, within Conservation Area of St Faiths.  
Application Type: Conservation Area Tree  
Application No: APP/24/00006 Expiry Date: 16/02/2024  
Applicant: Mrs Walters  
Agent: Mr Hoar Case Officer: Peter Slegg  
Hoarticulture LTD  
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

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**1 Site Description**

16 Manor Close, Havant, PO9 1BD

**2 Planning History**

APP/13/01163 - Reduce 1No. Conifer (T1) by 3m and reduce 1No. Conifer (T2) by 3m. All within conservation area of St Faiths., RNO,20/12/2013

**3 Proposal**

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**4 Policy Considerations**

National Planning Policy Framework  
Havant Borough Council Borough Design Guide SPD December 2011  
Havant Borough Council Parking SPD July 2016

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan Post Examination Version 2020

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.  
Conservation Area: St Faiths

**5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations**

**Councillor Gillian Harris**

**Councillor Imogen Payter**

**Councillor Phil Munday - St Faiths**

**Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council**

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Harry Mitchell CMLI  
Chartered Landscape Architect  
Havant Borough 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: 5

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

| <b>Comment</b>          | <b>Officer Comment</b>                                                               |
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| No landscape objection. | The comments received are welcomed and reflected within the planning considerations. |
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**Summary:**

**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.

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

7.3 The Council seeks to protect tree coverage in the Borough, but when considering a section 211 notice the Council must consider the impact of the proposed works to the amenity value of the tree and its contribution towards preserving and enhancing the character and appearance of the Conservation Area to determine if it justifies protection by a TPO.

7.4 When considering the amenity value, the Council is advised by National Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) 'Tree Protection Orders and Trees in Conservation Areas'. The PPG state a number of criteria for the Council to consider, which include visibility, size and form, future potential, rarity, cultural/historical value, relationship with the landscape and contribution to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

7.5 After receiving the comments from the Council Landscape Architect and considering national guidance the local authority does not believe the proposed works to the trees would justify their protection with a TPO.

7.6 Whilst it is disappointing to see the removal of trees within the conservation area it is clear that the group of trees at the front of the property (G1) have previously been significantly reducing the amenity value of the group and T1 to the rear of the property is showing sign of poor health. It is encouraging to read within the supporting information that the owner intends to replace the trees, which would seek to retain the verdant qualities they currently offer.

7.7 The proposed works would not have a significant detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area and would be in accordance with Policy CS11, CS16 and DM8 of the Core Strategy (2011).

## 8 **Conclusion**

Raise no objection.

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## 9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Place be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/24/00006

(A)

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

