

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT

Site Address: 98 Hulbert Road, Havant, PO9 3TG
Proposal: 1 No Common Ash - Fell to ground and remove stump, subject to TPO 1657.
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
Application No: APP/24/00732 Expiry Date: 03/12/2024
Applicant: Mr Paul Pitt
Agent: Case Officer: Tree Officer
Ward: Bedhampton

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 **Site Description**

98 Hulbert Road, Havant, PO9 3TG

2 **Planning History**

00/64598/000 - Single storey side extension and replacement garage,
PERM,02/03/2000
05/64598/001 - Conservatory to rear elevation., PERM,19/07/2005

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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**

Councillor Liz Fairhurst - Bedhampton

Councillor Michael Lind

Councillor Phillipa Gray

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: 8

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

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.

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 tree is in significant decline - Ash Dieback and will not recover - better to remove and replant.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permit

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/24/00732 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 In the first planting season following the date of felling; 1 replacement tree is planted. The tree should be a minimum 1.5 metres tall at the time of planting and should comply with BS3936:Part 1:1992. It should be planted at or near the site of the existing tree. It should also be selected from the following species:

1. Oak
2. Field Maple

or such other size, species, location or period of time as may be agreed in writing with the Council.

If within a period of three years any tree planted as a replacement is cut down, felled, uprooted, removed, or die, or becomes in the opinion of the Council seriously damaged or defective:

- a) the Council shall be notified as soon as is reasonably practicable; and
- b) another tree of the same species and size shall be planted in the same location at a time agreed in writing with the Council unless the Council agrees to dispense with or vary the requirement.

Reason: To conserve and safeguard the visual amenities of the locality.