
Site Address: 82 The Brow, Waterlooville, PO7 5DA
Proposal: Crown reduce 1No. Beech by 4-4.5m to leave a remaining height of 12-13 metres, reduce the spread by 3.5-4m to leave a spread of 11-12 metres. Subject to TPO 1710.
Application Type: Works to TPO Tree
Application No: APP/24/00089 Expiry Date: 01/04/2024
Applicant: Rosamond Hoad
Agent: Case Officer: Tree Officer
Ward: Purbrook

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

82 The Brow, Waterlooville, PO7 5DA

2 Planning History

01/66040/000 - Crown raise a Beech tree (T1) at the rear of 82 The Brow, subject to TPO1710., PERM,24/04/2001

05/66040/001 - Application for crown reduction by 10% and crown raise to a maximum of 3m a Common Beech (T1) Of TPO 1710., PERM,15/12/2005

APP/21/00729 - 1no. Beech (T1) Reduce crown height and spread by 4 metres, leaving crown height of 14 metres and crown spread of 12 metres, subject to TPO 1710., REF,03/12/2021

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

Councillor Husky Patel

Councillor Ms C Diamond - Purbrook Ward

Councillor Ryan Brent

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: 9

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 2

Comment	Officer Comment
Dear Planning Services/Mr Slegg, Subject: Support for Application APP/24/00089 - Crown Reduction of Beech Tree at 82 The Brow, Waterloooville, PO7 5DA I am writing to express my strong support and to emphasise the personal impact regarding the application [REDACTED] (Application Number: APP/24/00089) for the crown reduction of the Beech tree protected under Tree Preservation Order (TPO) 1710. [REDACTED] unchecked growth of this tree, [REDACTED]. The sheer size and canopy of the Beech tree have resulted [REDACTED] in a state of permanent shade, directly causing the death of the grass in the upper section [REDACTED]. This loss of natural light has not only diminished the aesthetic appeal and [REDACTED] space but has also [REDACTED] to incur continuous financial expenses for specialised grass treatments. Despite regular interventions by a professional	Thank you for your comments, they have been considered in in line with council policy and best arboricultural practice

grass company aimed at reviving[REDACTED] lawn, the persistent shade rendered by the tree's extensive crown makes these efforts largely ineffective and costly.

It is with this backdrop that I wholeheartedly endorse the proposals outlined [REDACTED] neighbour. The application's intent to perform a crown reduction by 20% and crown lift to 5 metres is not only sensible but essential for restoring light [REDACTED] garden and mitigating the ongoing deterioration of its condition. The proposal carefully considers the visual impact on the surrounding area, which, given the tree's current overbearing presence, would likely improve the overall landscape by allowing more balanced light distribution without significantly altering the tree's aesthetic contribution to the locality.

Reflecting on the precedent set by the council's consent in 2005 for similar work under Application Number: 05/66040/001, it is evident that periodic management of this tree's growth is necessary to maintain a harmonious environment for both the tree and the affected residents. Nearly two decades have elapsed since that consent, and the tree's substantial growth since then has exacerbated the conditions [REDACTED] garden to a critical point.

The application aligns with the council's guidelines for tree work, aiming not just to enhance the living conditions for those [REDACTED] impacted by the tree's growth but also to preserve its health and the environmental value it adds to our community. This carefully balanced approach underscores the necessity of the proposed work to address specific, significant issues arising from the tree's size while maintaining its status as a valued community asset.

In conclusion, I implore the council to

approve the application for the crown reduction and lifting of the Beech tree at 82 The Brow. The approval of this application represents a critical intervention needed to restore the quality of life for the residents directly affected by the tree's overgrowth, including [REDACTED]. We seek a resolution that respects the delicate balance between environmental conservation and the legitimate need for sunlight and healthy living conditions in our homes and gardens. Thank you for considering the profound impact this situation has [REDACTED] and for making a decision that will offer relief and restoration [REDCATED] daily lives. Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]	
I think this is much needed the amount of light it blocks from our houses is not very nice. Please support this application	Thank you for your comments, they have been considered in in line with council policy and best arboricultural practice.

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 T1 is a mature beech tree, visible behind the and between the properties on The Brow.

7.4 The works are reasonable: the operation has been performed before and beech will not form good attachment points to previous reductions.

7.5 The works will not result in a significant or permanent loss of amenity to the area so are in line with CS16 and DM8.1 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy (2011) and the National Planning Policy Framework.

8 **Conclusion**

It is recommended that the works to T1 should be consented

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/24/00089

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/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