

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 Gwen Robinson

Councillor Mike Scea

Councillor Peter Wade

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: 11

Number of site notices: 1

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 This application to undertake works to trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed pruning of 4 Oak trees, one of which is in the applicant's garden and the other three in neighbouring gardens.

The work is proposed to reduce the encroachment onto the applicant's property and to allow more light in. The Oak within the garden of 1 Tamar Down is very one sided due to an Oak in a neighbouring property recently being felled. The intention is to reduce to rebalance the crown.

The works to trees within the neighbouring properties is reduction of a couple of laterals and removal of some small branches which grow low over the garden or are encroaching onto the fabric of the building.

This work is minor and will not harm the health or amenity value of the trees. No objections to the application have been received. The trees in the neighbouring properties were not fully inspected as they were viewed from Tamar Down but no information has been provided with the application to suggest there are concerns about the condition of the trees and the canopies appeared healthy.

8 **Conclusion**

The work proposed is considered to be appropriate and proportionate therefore permission should be granted.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/21/00657

(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