
Site Address:	18 Longwood Avenue, Waterloooville, PO8 8HX		
Proposal:	Fell 1No. Oak (T1). Subject to TPO 1198.		
Application No:	APP/21/01182	Expiry Date:	30/12/2021
Applicant:	Mr G Hattersley		
Agent:	Mr S Amott	Case Officer:	Maria Stewart
	Amott Tree Surgery Ltd		
Ward:	Cowplain		

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

18 Longwood Avenue, Waterloooville, PO8 8HX

2 Planning History

APP/18/01036 - Retrospective Planning Permission for the erection of a replacement detached garage, removal of a hedgerow, erection of 2m high fence, removal of existing gates and erection of replacement gates. Erection of 1.8m high boundary wall facing public highway., PERM,16/01/2019

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 A Briggs - Cowplain

Councillor D Keast - Cowplain

Councillor Narinder Bains - Cowplain

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: 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 work to a tree subject to TPO relates to the proposed felling of one Oak tree situated in the rear garden of the property on the rear boundary and which appears to either be within the ownership of 18 Longwood or 2 Gladys Avenue.

The tree has public amenity value however it is in poor health with a declining canopy. Although access couldn't been gained to inspect the base closely and no Ganoderma brackets were visible, the Arboricultural Officer has seen the tree on a previous visit and noted the bracket fungus as well as noting degradation of the buttress roots through use of a sounding mallet.

No objections to the application have been received.

Replacement planting was considered however there is very little space to replant therefore no condition will be added for this.

8 **Conclusion**

Given the declining health of the tree, it is considered to be appropriate and necessary to permit the felling of this tree.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/21/01182 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.