
Site Address: 7 The Parchment, Havant, PO9 1HD
Proposal: Crown reduce 1No. Sycamore by 2m in height and 1.5m in width, back to previous pruning points, subject to TPO 1302.
Application No: APP/15/00846 Expiry Date: 05/10/2015
Applicant: Mr R Hollick Team: Team 1
Agent: Mr M Reed Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Rear garden to a residential dwelling

2 Planning History

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3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

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: 10

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

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.

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.

The tree subject to this application is a mature Sycamore that has been extensively pruned over the years so as to make its retention viable within a modest sized garden. The works applied for in this application will continue to keep the trees 'lollipop' shape and form which in these circumstances is appropriate for the location of the tree.

8 **Conclusion**

Recommend permission.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/15/00846 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 pruning/surgery for which consent is hereby granted shall not exceed the following: Crown reduce 1No. Sycamore by 2m in height and 1.5m in width, back to previous pruning points, subject to TPO 1302.
Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree and its importance in the local landscape.
- 3 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 5/10/2016.
Reason: To control the timing of the works.