

Application No:	APP/21/00627	Expiry Date:	30/07/2021
Applicant:	Mr Bleach		
Agent:	Mr Adam Kaye	Case Officer:	Maria Stewart
	Blendworth Tree Surgeons		
Ward:	Purbrook		

APP/17/00280 - Crown reduce by a height of 2.5m and a width of 2m 1No. Syamore. Crown lift by 10m on the north side (Max branch diameter 25mm), crown reduce by 1.5m on the east side and crown reduce by 2m on the southern side 1No. Oak. Both trees subject to TPO 1029. , PERM,21/04/2017

3 Proposal

1no.T4 Oak (T1 on plan) Reduce crown height and spread by 2.5 metres, leaving crown height of 13.5 metres and crown spread of 10.5 metres, back to the previous pruning points with crown lift to 5 metres from the ground; 1no.T3 (T2 on plan) Sycamore reduce crown height and spread by 2 metres, leaving crown height of 11 metres and crown spread of 8 metres, back to the previous pruning points, subject to TPO 1029.

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 Gary Hughes

Councillor Husky Patel

Councillor Ms C Howard - Purbrook Ward

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: 4

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 1

Comment	Officer Comment
Really please to have finally received notification of the Oak tree being cut as it is long overdue and causes me great concern for the safety of my grandchildren who play daily in my garden, due to the large branches that constantly fall onto my decking area. Please can I request that the final height & spread be reduced even further maybe just another 2 meters and the crown lift be 7 meters from the ground not 5. This tree now encroaches at least 2/3 of my garden and takes away all of the PM sun.	Noted. Additional pruning cannot be added to this application.

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 one Sycamore at the front of the property and an Oak at the rear. The trees were viewed from the road therefore a detailed inspection was not undertaken. These trees have both been the subject of cyclical pruning over the years. The crowns appeared to have good vigour and vitality and are showing no ill effects from repeated reductions. They have now put on approximately 2-2.5m of new growth and the applicant wishes to prune back to the previous pruning points to maintain them at a size suitable for their surroundings.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 **Conclusion**

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

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/21/00627 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.