
Site Address: 43 Highfield Avenue, Waterlooville, PO7 7PY
Proposal: Crown reduce height of 1No. Willow (T1) by 4m and width by 4m, to leave a crown height of 12m and crown spread of 11m. Subject to TPO 1239.
Application No: APP/21/01192 Expiry Date: 10/12/2021
Applicant: Mrs M Bond
Agent: Mr Adam Kaye Case Officer: Maria Stewart
Ward: Waterloo

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

43 Highfield Avenue, Waterlooville, PO7 7PY

2 Planning History

96/52126/006 - Reduction of 1 Willow covered by TPO 1239, PERM,19/11/1996
94/52126/003 - A single storey rear extension first floor rear extension
an conservatory to side, PERM,
94/52126/005 - Pruning of Willow covered by TPO 1239, REF,23/11/1994
03/52126/007 - Crown raise up to 5m and deadwood a Willow (T1) of TPO 1239.,
PERM,23/10/2003
06/52126/008 - Application to crown reduce by 30% and crown thin by 20% a
Weeping Willow (T1) subject to TPO 1239., PERM,15/11/2006
GEN/13/00799 - Query relating to Willow tree in neighbouring garden., ,09/09/2013
APP/14/00183 - Crown reduce by 4m back to previous pruning point 1No. Willow tree
(T1) subject to TPO 1239., PERM,02/04/2014
APP/17/00993 - Crown reduce height and width of 1No. Willow (T4) by 4m. Subject to
TPO 1239., PERM,23/10/2017
GEN/21/00092 - Advice required re proposed tree works., UNK,

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 Gwen Robinson

Councillor Mike Sceal

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: 13

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 The tree subject to this application is a mature Willow tree located within the rear garden of a property in Highfield Road, Waterloo. The tree is located to the side of the property and as such the crown in its entirety can be viewed from the street scene and it possesses a high visual amenity.

The tree was viewed from outside the property. There are two timber garden sheds located close to either side of the main stem. The crown appears to be displaying normal vigour and vitality and the previous pruning points are clearly visible. The proposed reduction would remove the regrowth since its last maintenance and would not detriment the health of this resilient and fast growing species. This would be consistent with its previous management and the proposed works within the application would not detriment the public's visual amenity of the tree.

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/21/01192

(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