

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

Conservation Area: St Faiths

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Councillor D Guest - St Faith's

Councillor J Branson - St Faiths

Councillor T Pike - St Faith's

Landscape Team, Havant Borough Council

Planning Application APP/21/00393 1C Juniper Square, Havant, PO9 1HX

Reduce crown height and spread of 1No. Yew (T1) by 2m, to leave a crown height of 8m and crown spread of 6m, and crown lift to 4m. Subject to TPO 1157 within conservation area of St Faiths.

From a landscape perspective we have no adverse comments in relation to this application.

Kind regards,

Harry Mitchell CMLI
Chartered Landscape Architect
Havant Borough Council

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 This application to undertake work to a tree protected a Tree Preservation Order relates to the proposed pruning of one large mature Yew situated at the front of the property, in close proximity to the entrance of the building.

The applicant wishes to prune the tree to allow more light into the properties of 1C and 1B Juniper Square.

As far as it was reasonable to see the tree appeared to be in good condition for its age and species. It is a very dense and dominant tree and has had repeated crown reductions undertaken to maintain it at a size suitable for its position. It offers public amenity value to the street scene being at the front of the property.

Permission was granted in 2019 to reduce the tree however the decision notice expired before the work was carried out so the applicant is applying again.

No objections to the application have been received.

8 Conclusion

The tree has become too large for its location again therefore the work proposed is considered to be appropriate and proportionate to maintain a more manageable relationship between the occupants, dwelling and the tree. Permission should be granted.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/21/00393 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.