

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

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:

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 trees at subject of this application are a mature Austrian Pine and a mature Western Red Cedar in the side garden of a residential dwelling, adjacent to the road. Both the trees are prominent in the street scene. The base area of both trees was overgrown, making it difficult to gain access and as such could not be viewed.

The Austrian Pine appeared to be showing signs of reduced vigour and vitality with a lot of ivy on the main stem making it difficult to assess the condition of the tree. The work proposed will reshape the crown of this tree and manage to a better size for the garden. The work should work to allow more light into the garden and for better use of the space.

The Western Red Cedar appeared to be showing signs of normal vigour and vitality. The reductions proposed for this tree will be suitable to make the tree a manageable size for the garden.

The works proposed in this application should not detriment the health of the trees or the public amenity values that they offer.

8 Conclusion

Recommend Permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/16/00574

(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 pruning/surgery for which consent is hereby granted shall not exceed the following: Crown reduce east sector by 2.5m, north and west side by 1-1.5m, and top by 1-1.5m 1No. Austrian Pine; Crown reduce sides by 1.5m and height by 2m 1No. Western Red Cedar, both trees are subject to TPO 1002.

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s) and its/their importance in the local landscape.

- 3 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 10th August 2017.

Reason: To control the timing of the works