
Site Address: Craigower, Church Lane, Hayling Island, PO11 0SB
Proposal: Fell 1No. Conifer, crown reduce line of Conifers and 1No. Bay tree by 3m and sides by 1.5m, within Conservation Area of St Peters.
Application No: APP/16/00391 Expiry Date: 27/05/2016
Applicant: Mr Biggs
Agent: Mr J Petley Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
JP Tree & Garden Services
Ward: Hayling East

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

1 Site Description

Craigower, Church Lane, Hayling Island, PO11 0SB

2 Planning History

90/54875/000 - Conservatory to rear., PERM,
07/54875/001 - Notification of intention to reduce height of Beech and Bay hedge by 30% and reduce the height of a Conifer by 35% all within St Peters Conservation Area., RNO,09/07/2007
APP/13/00406 - Reduce 1No. Conifer by 0.5m on east sector; reduce 1No. Ash by 4.5m to height and 2m to sides, back to previous pruning points; reduce 1No. Conifer by 1.5m to height and 0.5m to sides; reduce 1No. Conifer by 1m to height and 0.5m to sides; remove 1No. Conifer; reduce 1No. multistem Eucalyptus by 3.8m to height and 2m to sides and crown lift to 3m. Remove all dead, crossing, damaged and epicormic growth. All trees within Conservation Area of St Peters., RNO,19/06/2013
APP/14/00509 - Fell 1No. Conifer, within St Peters Conservation Area., RNO,19/06/2014
GEN/14/00918 - Removal of 2No. Silver Birch under DD and 1No. Crab Apple , ,10/07/2014
GEN/16/00347 - DD exemption., ,23/03/2016

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4 Policy Considerations

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

DM8 (Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of Existing Natural Features)

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.

Conservation Area: St Peters

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Conservation Officer - No objection received
Landscape Team - No objection

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: 6

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 conifers and bay trees proposed to be pruned in this application are in the rear garden of a residential dwelling acting as the boundary hedge at the back. These tree's appeared to be showing signs of normal vigour and vitality. The work proposed to reduce these trees by 3M in height and 1.5M in width should be considered as general maintenance work to keep the trees managed and to a sensible size. This work should cause no detrimental effect on the health of the trees.

There is another conifer within the garden, adjacent to the dwelling. This tree is growing very close to the dwelling and for this reason is proposed to be felled. This would be acceptable as this specimen would not qualify for a TPO.

8 Conclusion

Recommend RNO.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/16/00391

for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions