
Site Address: 3-4 Pine Grove, Havant
Proposal: Pollard 2No. Limes (T13 (4 Pine Grove), T16 (3 Pine Grove)) by 3.5m from the top and 3m from the sides, back to old pruning points. Subject to TPO 0867.
Application No: APP/15/00932 Expiry Date: 07/12/2015
Applicant: Mr Stuart Team: Team 1
Agent: Mr J Petley Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
 JP Tree & Garden Services
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

In rear gardens of residential dwellings.

2 Planning History

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3 Proposal

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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: Not applicable.

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

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: 11

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 in subject to this application are two mature Limes situated in the back gardens of 3 and 4 Pine Lane. These trees have been maintained in pollard form as part of a cyclical management programme in regards to the space allowed in their locations near to the dwellings. Both the trees were showing signs of normal vigour and vitality and displayed dense crowns.

T14, located in the rear garden of number 4, has begun to touch the roof of the dwelling and therefore potential damage could occur without these works to manage the trees. There was also a lot of Ivy on this tree making any defects on the tree hard to see, however there were no health and safety issues raised on this visit.

Upon viewing the trees from outside the properties the previous pruning points were visible and I would be happy for the trees to be pollarded back to these places. Work to these points should not have a negative affect on the health of the trees nor to their public amenity values.

8 Conclusion

Recommend Permission.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/15/00932

(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: Pollard 2No. Limes (T13 (4 Pine Grove), T16 (3 Pine Grove)) by 3.5m from the top and 3m from the sides, back to old pruning points. Subject to TPO 0867.

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the trees and 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 07/12/2016.

Reason: To control the timing of the works.