

Site Address: Crofters, Church Lane, Hayling Island, PO11 0SB

Proposal: Reduce by 3.5m overall to reshape 1No. Cherry Plum; reduce by 2m overall and remove 1 constricted central stem 1No. Cherry; remove dead, crossing or epicormic branches as necessary from all trees, all within Conservation Area of St Peters.

Application No: APP/16/00954 Expiry Date: 24/10/2016

Applicant: Mr Treadwell

Agent: Mr J Petley Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
JP Tree & Garden Services

Ward: Hayling East

1 Site Description

2 Planning History

3 Proposal

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: St Peters

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Conservation Officer

FAO Landscape Team, Technical Services - 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:

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.

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.

Cherry Plum: This mature tree appears to be normal in vigour and vitality and is located to the rear of the property. There is only a minimal view from street scene and has little if no public amenity value. The proposed reshaping of the tree by a reduction

of 3.5m is of a general maintenance level and would not cause detriment to it's health.

Cherry: The tree is located at the front of the property and directly impacts on the street scene. It possesses a significant amenity value and appears to be normal in vigour and vitality. The reduction of 2m overall is a level of standard maintenance that would not harm the health of the tree and the removal of a constricted central stem would also not affect it's health or public amenity adversely.

Horschestnut was removed from this S211 notification.

8 **Conclusion**

Raise No Objections

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Head of Neighbourhood Support be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/16/00954

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/subject to the following conditions