
Site Address: 34 Christopher Way, Emsworth, PO10 7QZ
Proposal: Crown reduce overall 1No. Beech (T1) and 1No. Walnut (T2) by 2.5m to previous pruning points and crown reduce 1No. Walnut (T3) overall by 1.5m to previous pruning points, subject to TPO 0909.
Application No: APP/15/01304
Applicant: Mr McCoy
Agent: Mr M Reed
Ward: Emsworth

Expiry Date: 15/01/2016
Team: Team 2
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

All Tree Solutions Ltd

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

In the front and rear gardens of 34 Christopher Way, Emsworth, PO10 7QZ

2 Planning History

None

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

None

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: 5

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

7 Planning Considerations

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 subject of this application are a beech and two walnuts, all mature and showing signs of normal vigour and vitality. The beech and walnut at the front of the residential dwelling are growing co-dominantly but the walnut is growing very close to the neighbours house adjacent. There was evidence that the residents at 34 Christopher Way were measuring the lean on this tree through the use of a plank of wood nailed to the fence, to keep track of the size of the gap between the wood and the main stem. The walnut in the rear garden was smaller and was also growing near to the adjacent dwelling.

Previous pruning points were visible on all the trees subject of this application and it would be acceptable to reduce the tree back to these points without having a negative impact on the health and amenity values of the trees. These works would be considered as general management to maintain the trees in their location as well as to re-shape their crowns.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/15/01304, 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 overall 1No. Beech (T1) and 1No. Walnut (T2) by 2.5m to previous pruning points and crown reduce 1No. Walnut (T3) overall by 1.5m to previous pruning points, subject to TPO 0909..
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 15/01/17.
Reason: To control the timing of the works

