
Site Address: 68 Havant Road, Emsworth, PO10 7LQ
Proposal: Crown raise to 6m, 1No. Horse Chestnut (T3), subject to TPO 1112.
Application No: APP/16/00026 Expiry Date: 04/03/2016
Applicant: Mrs D Warner Team: Team 2
Agent: Mr M Reed Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
 All Tree Solutions Ltd
Ward: Emsworth

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

68 Havant Road, Emsworth, PO10 7LQ

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: 13

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 1

Summary:We strongly object to the crown raising of a very old horse chestnut tree in

perfect robust health. The tree predates the house on the landscape and adds to the general beauty of the area.

We can see no positive reason for this action.

It will adversely affect the landscape of both the general area and the beautiful view of the tree from our house.

Children collect the conkers from the tree every year. The tree brings enormous enjoyment to them.

We would like to attend any planning committee meeting in person and put forward our objections. Please keep us updated.

Comment: The works applied for are considered to be minimal allowing only for a crown raise that will allow easier access to the drive. These works will neither be detrimental to the health of the tree or the public amenity that it offers. Conker production is unlikely to greatly affected by the crown lifting.

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 tree at subject of this application is a mature horse chestnut, situated at the side of the highway at Havant road and plays a great part in the street scene of the area. This tree was showing signs of good vigour and vitality through the budding evident throughout it's crown. The work proposed to crown life this horse chestnut to 6M will give clearance to the access .

These proposed works should not impact negatively on the public amenity value nor determent the health of the tree.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/16/00026 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 raise to 6m, 1No. Horse Chestnut (T3), subject to TPO 1112.

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree and its importance in the local landscape.

- 3 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 04/03/2017.

Reason: To control the timing of the works.