
Site Address: Gorseway Retirement Home, 354 Sea Front, Hayling Island
Proposal: Reduce height of 1No. Macrocarpa by 2.6m and width by 1.8m; crown lift to 3m and remove dead, crossing and epicormic growth; within G4 of TPO 0963.
Remove 1No. Holm Oak to leave 3m stump; within A1 of TPO 0963.
Application No: APP/13/01001 Expiry Date: 03/12/2013
Applicant: Mr Sprake Team: Team 2
Agent: Mr J Petley Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
JP Tree & Garden Services
Ward: Hayling West

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Gardens surrounding an older persons complex.

2 Planning History

None

3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework

Core Strategies 2011 forming part of the HBLDF

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

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.

Conservation Area: Coastguards Hayling Island

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

Conservation Officer

No comment.

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: 93

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.

Macrocarpa - Large mature tree set within a quad that requires maintenance. The works should address the size of the tree without detriment to either its health or the public amenity offered by Macrocarpa.

Holm Oak - Medium sized tree that overhangs a residential complex, the tree canopy is heavily weighted over the roof of the building and has extensive cavities/decay within the main scaffold limbs. A limb has previously failed on this tree. The proposed removal is considered reasonable in this instance as the tree is in severe decline with a potential for failure. It also has a very limited public amenity value.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/13/01001 is 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: Reduce height of 1No. Macrocarpa by 2.6m and width by 1.8m; crown lift to 3m and remove dead, crossing and epicormic growth; within G4 of TPO 0963. Remove 1No. Holm Oak to leave 3m stump; within A1 of TPO 0963.

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 3/12/2014.

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the trees.

- 4 The tree felling for which consent is hereby granted shall not commence until a detailed scheme and specification for replacement tree planting on an adjacent part of the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority; such specification shall include details of the species and size of such replacement planting.

Reason: To conserve and safeguard the visual amenities of the locality.