
Site Address: 30 Grove Road, Havant, PO9 1AR
Proposal: Crown reduce 1No. Cherry tree by 2m to sides and top; Fell 1No. Acacia tree All trees are within St Faiths Conservation Area.
Application No: APP/15/00289 Expiry Date: 30/04/2015
Applicant: Mr M Wakeford Team: Team 1
Agent: Mr Fowler Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
Lloyds Tree Surgery
Ward: St Faiths

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

1 Site Description

Front garden to a residential dwelling

2 Planning History

None relevant

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)

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

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: 4

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:

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.

The trees subject to this S211 Notification are considered to offer a good degree of public amenity value and contribute well to the street scene.

False Acacia - Poor quality specimen exhibiting signs of decay. This tree was highlighted for a reduction, however after discussion between HBC Arb and the agent is agreed that the tree has a very limited SULE period and as such felling and replacement would be a more sustainable option.

Cherry - This tree is to be reduced so as to manage the trees size in relation to its setting.

Neither tree is of a TPO quality.

8 Conclusion

Raise No Objection

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/15/00289

(A)

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