
Site Address: 85 Park Avenue, Waterloooville, PO7 5DR
Proposal: Crown lift 1No. sycamore to 4m and crown reduce by 2m within A1 of TPO 0110.
Application No: APP/14/01169
Applicant: Mr D Snowden
Agent: Mr J Brecon
Ward: Purbrook

Expiry Date: 31/12/2014
Team: Team 1
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

85 Park Avenue, Waterloooville, PO7 5DR
TPO tree in rear garden of a residential dwelling

2 Planning History

None.

3 Proposal

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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: 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: 8

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 this tree and whether this could also be harmful to its 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.

This is a maturing Sycamore tree which is showing good vigour and vitality for its age and location, and is only partially visible in the landscape given its rear garden location, obscured by the houses.

(i) Impact upon the streetscene

The pruning of this tree would not have a significant impact on the landscape.

8 Conclusion

The works applied for are acceptable as they constitute sound arboricultural management of a tree in this situation.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/14/01169

(A) Recommend Approval

(B) 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 the overall height and spread of this tree by varying degrees throughout but to a maximum extent of 2m, making final cuts adjacent to living growth points, and not leaving stubs devoid of foliage.
- Crown lift this tree in a balanced manner to provide a 4m ground clearance. The removal of whole branches rather than shortening back to leave stubs is advised.

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 31/12/2015.

Reason: To control the timing of the works.