
Site Address: Former site of Town End House, East Street, Havant
Proposal: Reduce branches of Sycamore and Ash to provide clearance of 2m around 7No lamp posts; fell 1No. group of 4-8 stems of Sycamore, 1No. additional Sycamore and 3No. Ash to provide clearance of 1m around parking bays. All within Conservation Area of St Faiths.
Application No: APP/15/00805
Applicant: Mr Condrup
LiveLink
Agent:
Ward: St Faiths

Expiry Date: 30/09/2015
Team: Team 1
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

1 Site Description

Commercial office site

2 Planning History

None received.

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: St Faiths

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: 7

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 19

Summary: Trees need managing and we support the application.

Comment: Noted

Summary: Horse Chestnut and Sycamore should not be felled and we object.

Comment: These trees are to be subject of a TPO.

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 two major trees x1 Horse Chestnut and x1 Sycamore have been removed from this S211 Notification and a TPO has been made for both trees as they meet with TEMPO guidelines for protection.

The small diameter self sown Ash and Sycamore in the car parking area are becoming a problem due to splitting out limbs, obstruction and on going management. They do not meet the criteria for a TPO and it would be considered unreasonable to raise objection to the works notified.

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/15/00805.