
Site Address: St Catherines Court, 390 Sea Front, Hayling Island
Proposal: Reduce 1No. Holme Oak (T4) by 4m to remove branches overhanging
garages, subject to TPO 1388.
Application No: APP/14/01155
Applicant: Mr S Wilson
All Seasons Tree Surgeons
Agent: Hayling West
Ward: Hayling West
Expiry Date: 25/12/2014
Team: Team 2
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

Recommendation: **REFUSE TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

St Catherines Court, 390 sea Front, Hayling Island
Garden area attached to a residential block of flats

2 Planning History

None Relevant

3 Proposal

Prune back by 2-4 metres so tree does not overhang garage block - as it is causing
damage by blocking gutters - 1No. Holm Oak (T4) - subject to TPO 1388.

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: 36

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:

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 trees from ground level accompanied by the owners of the property 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 which is subject of this application is displaying what appears to be normal vigour and vitality for its species and age class - **it is noted that the plan submitted records three Holm Oaks (A, B & C) at this location and it is clear that only tree A is TPO'd - this being T4 - as such, no control can be exercised over the works which are undertaken to trees B & C.**

I see no justification for this work given that it will not achieve the result which is desired - even though this would remove the immediate overhang of the line of the garage roof, the leaves will still fall with the wind and drift across it and into the gutters. The pruning requested would be harmful to the amenity value of this tree given that it would be on one side only, leaving an unbalanced form to the crown.

8 Conclusion

The works applied for are unnecessary and would be harmful to the visual amenity value of T4.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **REFUSE TPO CONSENT** for application APP/14/01155

(A) Recommend **REFUSAL** of works to T4 for the following reason:

- 1 I see no justification for this work given that it will not achieve the result which is desired - even though this would remove the immediate overhang of the line of the garage roof, the leaves will still fall with the wind and drift across it, and into the gutters. The pruning requested would be harmful to the amenity value of this tree given that it would also be on one side only, leaving an unbalanced form to the crown. It is therefore considered contrary to policy DM8 of the Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) 2011 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.