
Site Address: 5 Castle Avenue, Havant, PO9 2RY
Proposal: Crown reduce by 2.5m and reduce laterals by 1.5m, 1No. Beech tree (T1) subject to TPO 1890.
Application No: APP/14/01042
Applicant: Mr R Keeler
Agent: Mr M Reed
Ward: St Faiths

Expiry Date: 04/12/2014
Team: Team 1
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Front garden of a residential dwelling adjacent to the highway.

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)

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.

Conservation Area: Not applicable.

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: 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.

The tree subject of this application is a mature Beech, fairly compact in size for its age. It appears to be exhibiting normal vigour and vitality and is contributing well to the streetscene.

Impact upon the streetscene

The works applied for should not detriment either the health of the tree or impact negatively on the visual amenity that it displays. If approved the works will allow for the tree to be managed sympathetically to its surroundings.

8 **Conclusion**

Recommend permission.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/14/01042, 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: Crown reduce by 2.5m and reduce laterals by 1.5m, 1No. Beech tree (T1) subject to TPO 1890.
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 4/12/2015.
Reason: To control the timing of the works