
Site Address: 43 Highfield Avenue, Waterloo, PO7 7PY
Proposal: Crown reduce by 4m back to previous pruning point 1No. Willow tree (T1) subject to TPO 1239.
Application No: APP/14/00183
Applicant: Mr J Bond
Agent: Mr D Farrington
Ward: Waterloo
Expiry Date: 17/04/2014
Team: Team 2
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett
Sycamore Tree Surgeons

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Rear garden to a residential dwelling.

2 Planning History

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3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

Core Strategies 2011 forming part of the HBLDF

DM8 (Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of Existing Natural Features)

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: 11

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 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 Willow display what appears to be normal vigour and vitality, the tree is a large specimen and contributes well to the street scene offering high public amenity value.

In this instance the works applied for are considered reasonable and should not detriment either the health of the tree or impact negatively on the street scene.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/14/00183 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 4m back to previous pruning point 1No. Willow tree (T1) subject to TPO 1239.
Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s) and its/their importance in the local landscape.
- 3 The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than 17/4/15

Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s).