
Site Address: The Grange, 145 Stakes Road, Waterloooville, PO7 5PL
Proposal: Crown reduce 1No. Yew (T2) by 2m to western sector and crown raise to 3m; reduce 2 laterals of 1No. Wellingrania (T3) by 2m to western sector and crown raise to 3m, reduce 2 laterals of 1No. Blue Cedar (T4) by 3m to western sector; reduce 1 lateral of 1No. Oak by 3m to southern sector; crown lift 1No. Yew (T10) to 3m. All trees subject to TPO 1440.

Application No: APP/14/00058
Applicant: The Manager
Agent: Mr A Plummer
Fellam Tree Services
Ward: Purbrook

Expiry Date: 24/03/2014
Team: Team 1
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

garden ground to the Grange unit.

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: 50

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 1

Summary: I am a member of the Neighbourhood Committee for The Grange Probation Hostel and we have been talking about this problem since the mid 1990's, due to the reduced amount of sunlight that these trees cause on neighbouring land and my own. I have been "badgering" the Senior Staff for quite a number of years now to carry out maintenance on their trees. I have a vested interest with tree preservation order's No T11,T12 and T13 and find that there are no proposals for work to be carried out on them - I wonder why? Perhaps it was because the Senior Warden Steve Christie and his Deputy were not available the day the survey was carried out and they were unaware of the TPO's for these trees. These trees block out most of mine and my neighbour's (19 Chilsdown Way) sunlight during the winter and summer afternoons. They need to be crown reduced by at least 25% - who else would put up with **62 meter high trees overlooking their back-garden** !! To add insult to injury, my ground level is over 2 meters below T13's ground level, which makes the problem even worse. When these trees were first put up for maintenance consideration to yourselves in 1997, some of the work was granted, but I do not think that a great deal was achieved by "The Grange" for whatever reason.

I have personally spent over £2500 on T30 in order to sort out some of the branches that overhung their tennis court and also my own back garden and have reduced the canopy iaw your approval. I rectified this problem, as a good neighbour would and have certainly enhanced the daylight getting through to others. Surely, the maintenance of T11,T12 and T13 must be a consideration for good neighbouring and I know that the Senior Warden of The Grange is also in favour of good relationships. I have lived in this house for over 26 years and have witnessed a massive growth of the surrounding trees. I urge your department to consider that which I have requested and to grant The Grange permission to at least crown reduce these TPO's by 25%.

Comment: HBC can not request that an applicant increases the amount of work that has been applied for.

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 trees subject of this application are large mature specimens that offer limited public amenity as they are set within the grounds of the Grange unit which is not assessable for visitors etc. However the trees are enhancing the setting and appropriate management is essential.

The works proposed in this application are considered reasonable maintenance and it should not impact negatively on the health of the trees.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/14/00058

(A)

(B) for the following reasons/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 1No. Yew (T2) by 2m to western sector and crown raise to 3m; reduce 2 laterals of 1No. Wellingrania (T3) by 2m to western sector and crown raise to 3m, reduce 2 laterals of 1No. Blue Cedar (T4) by 3m to western sector; reduce 1 lateral of 1No. Oak by 3m to southern sector; crown lift 1No. Yew (T10) to 3m. All trees subject to TPO 1440.
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 24/3/15
Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s).