
Site Address: 8 Luard Court, Havant, PO9 2TN
Proposal: Crown thin 1No. Yew by 20% and remove epicormic growth within G1 of TPO 0461.
Application No: APP/13/01006
Applicant: Mrs C Percival
Agent: Mr M Reed
Ward: St Faiths

Expiry Date: 09/12/2013
Team: Team 1
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

All Tree Solutions Ltd

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Residential rear garden to a semi detached dwelling.

2 Planning History

None

3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework

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

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: 9

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 1

Summary: This tree is a great example and in a very healthy state it does not interfere with us in any way what so ever and also provides privacy in to our house and garden from views from two property's any cutting of the tree would reduce our privacy in the garden and bedroom and the privacy of the house next door to Luard close.

Comment: The crown thinning proposed for this tree will not reduce the canopy spread or height of the tree and as such a screen will still remain in place so as to allow for privacy to neighbours. The works should allow for dappled sunlight to penetrate the crown and the branch structure within the canopy will remain in size.

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 to this application is a mature compact Yew displaying normal needle extension growth and has limited public amenity value.

The proposed works are applied for so as the applicant (an elderly woman) will have less needle shed to pick up. These works are considered reasonable and will not detriment the health of the tree or impact on its public amenity value.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/13/01006 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 thin 1No. Yew by 20% and remove epicormic growth within G1 of TPO 0461.
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 9/12/2014.

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