
Site Address: 14 Bramley Close, Waterloo, PO7 7SU
Proposal: Reduce 1No. Oak (T2) by 4m back to old pollard points; reduce lowest branch of 1No. Oak (within A1) to western sector by 4m and branch above by 3m. Both trees subject to TPO 1201.
Application No: APP/13/01164
Applicant: Mr A Bright
Agent: Mr S Jordan
Ward: Waterloo

Expiry Date: 15/01/2014
Team: Team 2
Case Officer: Jamie Gargett

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

The trees are located within the curtilage of a large detached dwelling T2 to the rear and A1 adjacent to the dwelling.

2 Planning History

None

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

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: 6

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable

Number of representations received: 1

Summary: Has spoken with Applicant and is in full support of application as property borders T1. T1 tree is very large and part of lower tree/roots are exposed on Northern side. Crown reduction around the circumference would help protect the tree from extremes of weather and not endanger surrounding properties. It is a lovely tree and the work is necessary as it will help minimise risk to its loss.

Comment: Noted

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 trees subject to this application are large mature Oaks that offer a good level of public amenity value to the surrounding area. The works outlined in this application are considered reasonable and will allow for the trees to be managed successfully in the setting in an appropriate way that will not impact negatively on either their health or the public amenity that they offer.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/13/01164, 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: Reduce 1No. Oak (T2) by 4m back to old pollard points; reduce lowest branch of 1No. Oak (within A1) to western sector by 4m and branch above by 3m. Both trees subject to TPO 1201.
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 15/1/15
Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s).

