
Site Address:	Land adj 1 Hampton Close, Waterlooville		
Proposal:	Fell 1No. Oak tree within A1 of TPO 1101.		
Application No:	APP/13/01064	Expiry Date:	19/12/2013
Applicant:	Havant Borough Council	Team:	Team 2
Agent:		Case Officer:	Jamie Gargett
Ward:	Waterloo		

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Public grassed area adjacent to residential dwellings

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: 4

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 2

Summary: We wish to appeal against the felling as the tree is a good healthy specimen that offers wildlife habitat.

Comment: Unfortunately this tree has a number of decay points around the base of the main stem which will lead to potential instability of the tree and for this reason felling is the advisable option. The decay is clearly visible via inspection and very noticeable.

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 oak subject of this application is a mature specimen that is showing signs of severe decline and reduced vigour and vitality, it offers good public amenity value and contributes well to the copse that it is situated within.

Unfortunately this tree has a number of decay points around the base of the main stem which will lead to potential instability of the tree and for this reason felling is the advisable option.

A replant of another oak has been conditioned so as to offer tree sustainability for the area.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/13/01064 subject to the following conditions

- 1 The tree to be felled shall be replaced by an Oak to be planted in a position as near as practicable to the position of the tree to be felled and at a height of at least 2 metres when such replacement planting is carried out.

Reason: To conserve and safeguard the visual amenities of the locality.