

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 tree subject of this application is a mature oak displaying what appears to be normal vigour and vitality, offering good public amenity to the local area. The works outlined in this application have been amended between HBC Arb and the applicant so as to provide a reasonable works schedule to manage the size of the tree within its setting. These proposed works should not detriment either the health of the tree or impact negatively on the public amenity vale offered by the tree.

8 **Conclusion**

Recommend permission.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/13/01146, 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 and rebalance branches by 2m to 1No. Oak tree (T1) subject to TPO 1858.
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 9/1/15
Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s).