
Site Address:	18 Everglades Avenue, Waterloooville, PO8 8NA		
Proposal:	Fell 1No. Common Oak (T1) subject to TPO 1015.		
Application No:	APP/13/00637	Expiry Date:	21/08/2013
Applicant:	Mr B Read	Team:	Team 2
Agent:	Mr J Bream	Case Officer:	Jamie Gargett
Ward:	Cowplain		

Recommendation: **GRANT TPO CONSENT**

1 Site Description

Residential rear garden.

2 Planning History

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: 8

Number of site notices: 1

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

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 to this application is an over mature Oak in what appears to be poor health, displaying major decline in terms of reduced vigour and vitality. The tree is now sadly at a point where it has reached the end of its SULE and as such its removal (and a replant) is justified in this setting so as to abate the potential for any future failure due to the poor structure of the tree.

Sacrophytic fungus is present on major limbs within the canopy and dieback is showing on the tips of the branches. Foliage is reduced in both leaf size and density. The garden is a modest size and a replacement with a Birch Spp is appropriate in this instance.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission to fell.

9 RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **GRANT TPO CONSENT** for application APP/13/00637, subject to the following conditions:

- 1 The tree to be felled shall be replaced by a Birch 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.