

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT – TREE WORKS

PROPOSAL	Removal of concrete surround and reinstate natural planting around 1No Oak. Tree within G39, subject to TPO 0567.
LOCATION:	Brenton Cottage, Woodgaston Lane, Hayling Island, PO11 0RL
REFERENCE NO:	APP/25/00687
APPLICANT:	Mrs Kate Davies
CONSULTATION EXPIRY DATE:	29/10/2025
APPLICATION EXPIRY DATE:	08/09/2025
WARD:	Hayling West
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	Approve with Conditions

1. Site Description

Brenton Cottage, Woodgaston Lane, Hayling Island, PO11 0RL

2. Planning History

3. Proposal

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4. Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

DM8 (Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of Existing Natural Features

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

5. Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

6. Publicity and Community Involvement

This application was publicised in accordance with the Council's Local Code of Corporate Governance and the Statement of Community Involvement.

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:

Whether the degree of pruning works requested would undermine the amenity value of these trees and whether this could also be harmful to their ongoing health and vitality.

7.2 My recommendation relates specifically to assessing the proposed works rather than generally considering the tree's health and condition in any great detail and deals with the relevant issues that have been raised on site and in the application form. The recommendation made within this application is formed from a desktop based examination in line with BS 3998.

7.3 No direct works are taking place to the tree, the application is to remove a historical concrete slab and reinstate with earth. This will benefit the tree as long as no roots beyond 2.5mm are cut or damaged.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permit

9. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to Approve with Conditions application APP/25/00687

Conditions:

1	<p>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).</p> <p>Reason: In the interests of tree health and safety.</p>
2	<p>The works for which consent is hereby granted must ensure that the tree roots are not disturbed, damaged or removed.</p> <p>Reason: To safeguard the health and well being of the tree(s) and its/their importance in the local landscape.</p>