

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT – TREE WORKS

PROPOSAL	1No Oak (T1) Reduce height by up to 2.5m, leaving a finished height of approx. 15m. To reduce remainder of crown by up to 2m all round to leave a finished width of approx. 11m. Within TPO Group G2,Subject to TPO 1625.
LOCATION:	77 Nutwick Road, Havant, PO9 2UQ
REFERENCE NO:	APP/25/00797
APPLICANT:	Mr Horsey
CONSULTATION EXPIRY DATE:	25/11/2025
APPLICATION EXPIRY DATE:	02/12/2025
WARD:	St Faiths
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	Refuse

1. Site Description

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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 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.

7.3 The tree was pruned 2 years ago and has minimal extension growth following these works, there is no reason either by reported risk or actionable nuisance for the tree to be pruned. The tree appears to be displaying normal health and is not encroaching on the surrounding area or any built structures. In this instance there are no reasonable grounds for the pruning of this tree and as such the proposed works would detriment public amenity.

8 Conclusion

Recommend Refuse

9. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Head of Place be authorised to Refuse application APP/25/00797