

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT – TREE WORKS

PROPOSAL	T1 - Oak - Crown reduce by 2M overall to previous pruning points and remove western rubbing limb at 3M height. Leaving a height of 5M by 5M width. Tree subject to TPO 1764.
LOCATION:	1 Chester Close, Emsworth, PO10 7LN
REFERENCE NO:	APP/26/00029
APPLICANT:	Norton
CONSULTATION EXPIRY DATE:	10/02/2026
APPLICATION EXPIRY DATE:	16/03/2026
WARD:	Emsworth
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION: Approve with Conditions	

1. Site Description

1 Chester Close, Emsworth, PO10 7LN

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 The tree subject to this application is a mature Oak that has been subject to cyclical management and the current application is considered to be in line with this process, the works if approved are unlikely to impact negatively on either the health of the tree or the public amenity offered.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permit.

9. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Interim Head of Planning be authorised to Approve with Conditions application APP/26/00029

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>
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2	<p>The tree works for which consent is hereby granted shall be carried out and completed no later than one year from the date of this decision notice.</p> <p>Reason: To control the timing of the works</p>