DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT – TREE WORKS

PROPOSAL	**1 No. Common Oak. Crown height reduction by 2.5m leaving a height of 11m. Crown width reduction by 2m leaving a width of 11m. Trees subject to TPO 1386.**
LOCATION:	6 Parker Gardens, Waterlooville, PO7 5DJ
REFERENCE NO:	APP/26/00637
APPLICANT:	Mrs Jane D'arcy-Burt
CONSULTATION EXPIRY DATE:	22/09/2026
APPLICATION EXPIRY DATE:	27/10/2026
WARD:	Purbrook
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION: Approve with Conditions	

1. Site Description

6 Parker Gardens, Waterlooville, PO7 5DJ

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 A large English oak located in the rear garden, the tree has a history of large limb drop and it has heavy loaded lateral scaffold limbs that would benefit from the works outlined in this application these works will reduce mechanical strain on the canopy and thus reduce the potential for any further limb loss.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permission

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9. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Planning and Growth be authorised to Approve with Conditions application APP/26/00637

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 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. Reason: To control the timing of the works