

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT – TREE WORKS

PROPOSAL	1 No. Common Oak. Crown height reduction of 1m leaving a heigh of 5m. Crown width reduction of 1m leaving a width of 5m. Tree subject to TPO 0988.
LOCATION:	4 Astrid Close, Hayling Island, PO11 9PR
REFERENCE NO:	APP/26/00644
APPLICANT:	Mr Mike Owen
CONSULTATION EXPIRY DATE:	29/09/2026
APPLICATION EXPIRY DATE:	02/11/2026
WARD:	Hayling East
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	Approve with Conditions

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 works outlined in this application are to reduce a small scrub oak that has been previously maintained at this size so as to ensure that its relationship between people, dwelling and tree are manageable. The works are considered to be reasonable in this instance and will not detriment either the health of the tree or the public community offered.

8 Conclusion

Recommend permit.

9. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Head of Planning and Growth be authorised to Approve with Conditions application APP/26/00644

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

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