Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Site Visit Date: 10/07/2014

Address: Dolphin Cottage, School Lane , SO31 4JD

Application T/14/74737 **TPO**

Case Officer: M Harrison

Work Request/Notification:

1 no. ash- crown reduce by 30% and reduce back from the property to allow 4m clearance.

Reason For Application:

To allow more light to the garden and prevent direct damage to the property.

Comments:

The site was visited by the Borough tree officer on 10/07/2014 and the following assessment was made:

A young mature tree which is leaning to the west. Foliage density is sparse for the species, a cavity is evident on the main stem at 2.5m and branch cankers are present throughout the canopy which also contains a substantial amount of major dead wood (>50mm diameter).
Although the tree is not touching the house at the present times. It is likely to come into contact in the near future (within 3 years)
Its amenity to the local area is limited with the tree being visible only to the surrounding houses.

Decision:

Consent

Decision Comments:

The condition of the tree suggests that it is under stress and the proposed work may benefit it
Some contribution to the local landscape will be retained albeit reduced.

Conditions:

Standard Time and quality

Notes to applicant:

None

Parish Comments:

Crown reduction by 30% & prune to give clearance from property by 4m to 1no. Ash tree at:
Dolphin Cottage, School Lane, Hamble-le-Rice. Southampton.SO31 4JD

At the Hamble-le-Rice Council meeting on held on Monday 14th July 2014 the following was resolved:
It was resolved to leave the decision to the arborculturist provided that minimum work is carried out

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Public Objection/support Support Qty: 0 Objection 0

No correspondance relating to the application had been received at the time of inspection

Objection Consideration:

Comments from the parish council have been noted and the decision reflects the concerns. The work is considered reasonable given the position and condition of the tree.