Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Site Visit Date: 01/07/2014

Address: 2 Oakwood Road , SO53 1LU

Application T/14/74129 **TPO**

Case Officer: M Harrison

Work Request/Notification:

1 no. Monterey cypress- crown lift to 7m and reduce the tips of overextended branches to bring them into line with the remaining canopy..

Reason For Application:

Reduce end weight and prevent further branch failure.

Comments:

The site was visited by the Borough tree officer on 01/07/2014 and the following assessment was made:

A broken branch is hanging from the lower canopy.

A significant tree in the local landscape. Crown lifting to 7m will require the removal of significant limbs which will result in large wounds.

The reduction of the tips of overextended branches will reduce the likely hood of branch failure. A lesser crown lift would also be achieved keeping wounds smaller which would have less effect on the future health of the tree

Decision:

Part consent / part refuse

Decision Comments:

Refuse crown lifting to 7m on the grounds that the works would be to the detriment of the long term health of the tree as well as its appearance.

Consent to the reduction of overextended limbs by a maximum of 1.5m and crown lifting the average canopy height to 5m by virtue of the removal of secondary branches only. No branches over 40 mm are to be removed and the shape and habit of the species is to be retained.

Conditions:

Standard Time and quality

Notes to applicant:

The removal of broken, dangerous limbs and dead wood does not require council consent.

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Parish Comments:

With regard to the planning list dated 7th March 2014, I post the following comments
No Objection

Public Objection/support Support Qty: 1 Objection 0

Comment: Whilst we support this application, we would like you to inspect the excessively tall Scotts Pine to the north side of the property.

When viewed from our house, the top canopy appears to be searching for light and is growing at a severe angle and causes concern especially of its stability during high winds.

Objection Consideration: