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Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order) (England) Regulations 2012

Application No:	T/14/73911
Description:	Felling of T1 Oak and T2 Sweet Chestnut, or crown reduction of both trees.
Site:	Poppy Cottage, Beacon Road, West End, Southampton, SO30 3BQ

In pursuance of their powers under the above Act and Regulations, and in accordance with your application which was made valid on 13/01/2014 The Council as Local Planning Authority hereby CONSENT for:

T1 English Oak: crown reduce by no more than 25% overall, to leave the tree at no less than 9.0 metres in height with a canopy spread of no less 8.0 metres.
T2 Sweet Chestnut: crown clean to remove the dying branches, rubbing and crossing branches and storm damaged branches as necessary.

(1) The tree works hereby consented shall be completed within 2 years of the date of this permission and shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and to British Standard for Tree Work BS3998:2010.

Reason: To preserve the special amenity value of the tree.

(2) The tree surgery contractor (or other person) carrying out the work shall contact the Arboricultural Officer and give at least 10 days notice prior to starting this approved work. It may also be necessary to arrange a pre-commencement site meeting with the Arboricultural Officer on site if so required.

Reason: To ensure that the contractor or person carrying out the work clearly understands the requirements and detail contained within this consent.

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(3) No branches over 100mm in diameter shall be removed and the tree works shall retain the shape and habit typical of the genus and species concerned.

Reason: To safeguard the health and amenity of the tree.

Note to applicant: Deadwood may be removed without the requirement for council consent.

Note to Applicant: It is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions attached to this permission, the proposed tree work is acceptable because it will not materially harm the character of the area, the amenity of neighbours or highway safety, and is in accordance with the policies and proposals of the development plan and after due regard to all other relevant material considerations the local planning authority is of the opinion that permission should be granted.

Note to applicant: All works hereby consented should be carried out by a suitably qualified tree surgeon. A copy of the decision notice should be given to the Tree Surgeon.

And hereby REFUSE CONSENT for the following: English Oak and Sweet Chestnut: Fell.

For the following reasons: The proposed works are considered unjustified and will be of detriment to the health and appearance of the trees. The works would therefore result in an adverse impact upon the visual amenity, ecology, wildlife, shelter and screening of the surrounding area. Both trees were visually assessed from ground level, and no clear evidence of storm damage was identified - which would require the trees to be removed for health and safety reasons. Both trees are clearly visible from a number of nearby public viewpoints.

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NB See enclosed notes (TRC)