Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Application Number	T/17/79959
Case Officer	Brett Athow
Site assessment Date	21/03/2017
Address	St Swithens Church Allington Lane Fair Oak Eastleigh SO50 7DB
Work notification/ request	25-30% reduction of 2no. Sycamore (G1/2) and reduce hedge height and trim sides of Cypress (T1)
Comments/ observations following site visit	T1 - Hedge; not covered under the TPO. G1 & G2 - Sycamore; young multi stem specimen widely visible from the car park and adjacent properties. The trees add to the sylvan nature of the area. The trees are growing in close proximity to an adjacent building; there is no suggestion of damage to the property. The trees canopies have room to grow. No supporting information provided. 25% - 30% = removal of at least a quarter of the trees height - The proposed works will leave the trees looking 'topped' and diminish their aesthetic value. The proposed work will create multiple topping wounds which may prove ingress for pests and disease; it will also stimulate rapid and sporadic growth both from the topping points and throughout the crown ultimately exacerbating any existing issues of light or leaf fall. The reasons given for the work are generic and vague.

Decision	**Consent**	**Refuse**	**Part consent/ Part refuse**	**Withdrawn / Invalid**	**Conservation Area**	
					Raise no objection	**TPO**
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Decision notice	Refuse - G1 & G2 - Sycamore; Reduce by 25-30%.
Conditions	Standard time and quality
Notes to applicant	T1 - Hedge is not covered under the TPO. Ivy severance does not require LPA consent if carried out carefully without damage to the bark.
Parish comments	No Objection subject to the approval of the Tree Officer.

Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	N/a