Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Application Number	T/16/79135			
Case Officer	Brett Athow			
Site Visit Date	01/12/2016			
Address	Land rear of 3 The Hedges Botley Road Horton Heath Eastleigh SO50 7QJ			
Work notification/ request	Reduce overhanging branches into garden by 2-2.5m to 1no. Oak (T1), trim 1no. Holly (T2) & 1no. Hawthorn (T3) to fence line & trim overhang of 1no. Oak (T4) back to seating area by 2-2.5m			
Comments/ observations following site visit	T2 & T3 are not protected. T1 - T1 is a group of 2 medium sized Oaks pre-dating the property, the trees have some limited visibility from the road and neighbouring property. The tree would have been a consideration for anyone buying the property. The trees appear outwardly healthy. The proposed reduction will not allow for pruning to adequate pruning points, leaving stub cuts with reduced aesthetics and will have a negative impact on the trees amenity value. A lesser reduction will allow for creation of a future framework to prune back to, leave small diameter wounds and allow the tree to be pruned to suitable growth points. T2 - small- medium sized Oak; The tree is a lovely back garden specimen with reasonable visibility and clearly pre-dating the property, the tree would have been a consideration for anyone buying the property. The trees have some limited visibility from the road and neighbouring property. The tree would have been a consideration for anyone buying the property.- the tree appears healthy with no significant structural or biological issues. The proposed reduction of 2.5m will leave the tree 'stubby' and one sided; it will diminish the trees visual value. A lesser reduction will allow for creation of a future framework to prune back to, leave small diameter wounds and allow the tree to be pruned to suitable growth points. No supporting information was provided. The statement 'create a safe clearance' is not substantiated within the application.			
Decision	**Consent**	**Refuse**	**Part consent/ Part refuse**	**Withdrawn/ Invalid**
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Decision notice	Consent to- T1 and T2 - 2 x Oak; Reduce lateral branches overhanging the garden by up to 1m, pruning to suitable growth points, keeping pruning wounds below 55mm and maintaining a natural shaped crown. Refuse – T1 & T2 – 2 x Oak; Reduce garden branch overhang by 2-2.5m.			

Conditions	Standard time and quality		
Notes to applicant	Deadwood removal does not require LPA consent		
Parish comments	No Objection subject to the satisfaction of the Tree Officer's report		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	N/a		