

Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Application Number	T/22/93095				
Surveyor	SK				
Site assessment Date	15/06/22				
Address	REDCROFT FARMHOUSE, OAKHILL, BURSLEDON, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 8AS				
Work notification/ request	1 no. Poplar - Reduce by 2m in height, prune inside laterals by up to 1.5m where needed to match in with top.				
Comments/ observations following site visit	This is essentially a slightly lesser reduction on the same tree as applied for and refused in April of this year. Nothing has changed. Tree is a natural form with no previous reduction points visible. There are a couple of fracture points that have resulted in hung broken branch sections in the middle canopy, and some evidence of a historic failure on the north side: presumed storm damage. The tree is very prominent in the landscape, being larger than most others in the nearby area. It is somewhat sheltered in a dip. Reduction will need repeat operations. Reason given as reduction in sail area, but this will be a temporary effect and the regrowth will be more of a sail area, and less well attached.				
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area
					Raise no objection TPO
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Decision notice	REFUSE: 1 no. Poplar - Reduce by 2m in height, prune inside laterals by up to 1.5m where needed to match in with top.				
Conditions	N/A				
Notes to applicant	Reducing this tree will mean it will continue to need reduction operations at regular intervals for the remainder of its life. Regrowth from reduction points is often vigorous on poplars, and being poor at responding to wounding, decay and weak attachment points often results, this leads to an increased risk of future failure.				
Parish comments	None				
Public objection/ support	Support		Objection		Observation
	0		0		0
Objection/ support consideration	n/a				