

Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Application Number	T/22/93469					
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway					
Site assessment Date	24/08/22					
Address	28 BROWNHILL ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 2EA					
Work notification/ request	2 no. oak (T1 & T2) - Remove major deadwood. Remove epicormic growth up to a height of 8 metres from the stem. Crown thin by 15% with a max cutting diameter of 28 mm.					
Comments/ observations following site visit	T1 and T2 are two prominent oaks visible from the highway. The reason given for work is to "maintain and manage growth over the road track and parking area as there is evidence of 2 major branch falls". There is no mention of any current features (only historic and already failed) that would be considered a defect and trigger mitigation works. BS3998 states "if the objective is to lessen the overall loading on a defective branch or stem, crown reduction and reshaping should be chosen in preference to crown thinning". It is also noted that crown thinning does not lessen overall loading and can increase the probability of branch failure. Crown thinning is therefore considered inappropriate for the reasons stated on the application. The removal of the epicormic would not have a detrimental effect on the amenity provided.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: Crown thin by 15% with a max cutting diameter of 28 mm. CONSENT: 2 no. oak (T1 & T2) - remove epicormic growth up to a height of 8 metres from the stem.					
Conditions	Standard					
Notes to applicant	Under Regulation 14(1) of The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012 dead wood is exempt from the need to submit an application, therefore can be removed.					
Parish comments	None					
Public objection/ support	Support		Objection		Observation	
	0		0		1	
Objection/ support consideration	The public comment has been noted.					