

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/22/93945					
Surveyor	SK					
Address	58 WESTWOOD GARDENS, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 1FN					
Proposed work	1 no. Maple (T1) - Crown lift to 3.5m over garden and footpath and 5.2m over road. 1 no. Silver Birch (T2) - Reduce height by 3m and reduce side towards house by 1.5m. This work will maintain a healthy tree whilst creating a reasonable space between the 2 trees.					
Assessment Date	21/11/22					
Officer comments	No site visit carried out, photographs supplied sufficient to evidence decision. Reducing a birch in height will negatively affect amenity and is against the recommendations in the BS3998:1-2012: Some species of tree do not respond well to pruning. The British Standard for tree works cites birch in particular: 'Species of <i>Betula</i> [birch] which generally have particularly weak defences against the development of decay, should be pruned as sparingly as possible and without exposing heartwood or ripe wood' The other works will not affect amenity and will give acceptable clearance to the property and over the highway. Limit the cut size to 50mm in diameter to reduce the incidence of exposing ripe wood.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1 no. Silver Birch (T2) - Reduce height by 3m CONSENT: 1 no. Maple (T1) - Crown lift to 3.5m over garden and footpath and 5.2m over road. 1 no. Silver Birch (T2) Reduce side towards house by 1.5m. Limit cut size to 50mm in diameter and take sections back to good target pruning points.					
Conditions	Standard plus limit cut sizes for all operations to 50mm in diameter.					
Notes to applicant	Reducing a birch in height will negatively affect amenity and is against the recommendations in the BS3998:1-2012: Some species of tree do not respond well to pruning. The British Standard for tree works cites birch in					

	particular: 'Species of <i>Betula</i> [birch] which generally have particularly weak defences against the development of decay, should be pruned as sparingly as possible and without exposing heartwood or ripe wood' . for this reason, and for reduction in amenity the height reduction is not consented.		
Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	n/a		