

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/22/94098					
Surveyor	SK					
Address	FLAT 19, FOLLAND COURT, 70 HAMBLE LANE, HAMBLE-LE-RICE, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 4JS					
Proposed work	1 no. Oak (in the car park in the grounds of Folland Court)- Remove the big branch that looks deceased back to the trunk.					
Assessment Date	07/12/22					
Officer comments	Oak is prominent in location to rear of flats, overlooked by multiple properties but not visible from the public realm. Previous pruning works have left a rather unnatural truncated form but this will rebalance to a degree given time. The application suggests the sections most heavily pruned nearest the car park are dead: there is early signs of epicormic reaction growth, and though not vigorous at this time, given the very dry summer, this should not be taken as the tree being dead. The remainder of the tree is in good health, so the vascular system is still functioning. The tree needs to be given time to develop a lower canopy on the pruned sections. Removing these sections at this time would open very large wounds into the heartwood and will certainly shorten the life expectancy of the tree. Note to application that trees can take many years to recover from pruning works and that it is not dead.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
		X				
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1 no. Oak (in the car park in the grounds of Folland Court). Remove the big branch that looks deceased back to the trunk.					
Conditions	N/A					
Notes to applicant	Note: trees can take many years to recover from pruning works: at this time this branch is not dead, it is just starting to put out reaction growth. The very dry summer may have impacted the trees ability to respond but it is still live and given time the new growth should establish. The works would result in a very large wound, beyond the BS3998:2012 Tree works recommendations.					
Parish comments	None					
	Support		Objection		Observation	

Public objection/ support	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	n/a		