

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/22/94294
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway
Address	12 WOODLANDS CLOSE, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5AT
Proposed work	T1 - Japanese Maple - Reduce and reshape the tree by 60-90cm to the previous pruning points. Crown thin by 10-15% to allow more light to filter through. T2 - Bay - Reduce in height level with the gutter. Trim around the sides to ensure a good clearance from the property is achieved and to shape and box up. T3 - Japanese Maple - Reduce and reshape by 60-90cm. T4 - Holly - Selectively fell the smaller stems to ground level to thin the group of Hollies. Reduce the heights of all the remaining stems by 2.5-3 metres and prune around the sides to contain the overall size. T5 - Laurel, Rhododendron, Pieris & Shrubs - Reduce this group of mixed shrubs/small trees which include Laurel, Rhododendron and Pieris by 1.5 - 2 metres in height and prune around the lateral growth to shape and tidy and to contain the overall spread. T6 - Holly - Reduce the overhanging stem/branches back the fence line. T7 - Rhododendron, Bamboo, Beech - Reduce this mixed hedge by 1 - 1.5 metres creating a level tidy finish. Prune back the side to box up. T8 - Sweet Chestnut x2 - Remove the 2/3 smaller diameter low branches which hang down and encroach into the lower-level trees and shrubs.
Assessment Date	03/01/23
Officer comments	The trees within this application form part of the character of the property and the wooded area. They are of mixed amenity value, with trees to the front of the property being highly visible, the larger trees within the rear of the property having moderate amenity value from a public place, and the smaller trees and shrubs only being visible to neighbouring property. The justification given for proposed works, <i>"to ensure good/safe clearance is maintained,"</i> is applicable to very few trees as generally they are not close to structures. T1 is to the front of the property and adjacent the highway. It has previously been reduced, and the proposed reduction is unlikely to be of detriment to the long-term health of the tree. No justification has been given for the proposed crown thin. T2 is a bay, it is to the side of the property. Except for the height reduction, the proposed works is not quantified, and the given justification is too vague. The Works described appears to equate to 'topping' which would expose heart wood and accelerated decay of

	established trees, negatively impacting their longevity. However, it is unlikely that this tree is protected by the 1954 Area order. T3 has little visibility from a public space. The proposed work is unlikely to be detrimental to the long-term health of the tree. T4 is a group of holly. They are unlikely to be the subject of the 1954 Order. T5 is a group of dominating trees/shrubs. The requested work is reasonable for their management in their location, although they are unlikely to be the subject of the 1954 Order and most cannot be the subject of an Order anyway. T6 is a holly within a neighbouring property. The requested works is likely to remove between one and two metres overhang into the property and is therefore a request to fulfil common law pruning. This request is reasonable, will not affect overall amenity and is unlikely to be of detriment to the long-term health of the tree. T7 is a group of dominating trees/shrubs. The requested work is reasonable for their management in their location, although the bamboo and rhododendron cannot be the subject to a TPO. T8 are two chestnuts which have fair amenity value. The proposed work will remove small diameter branches, lifting the canopy off the woodland understory. The request is reasonable and unlikely to be of detriment to the long-term health of the tree.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
	X					
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Conditions	Standard		
Notes to applicant	None		
Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	1
Objection/ support consideration	The public comment has been noted. It was observed that they objected to the bamboo being pruned, but bamboo cannot be the subject of a TPO.		