

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/94841				
Surveyor	SK				
Address	TANGLEWOOD, 56 SATCHELL LANE, HAMBLE-LE-RICE, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 4HL				
Proposed work	Group of 4 no. Oak (G1 in the rear garden)- Crown lift to 6 metres removing small diameter branches less than 50mm. Remove epicormic growth and allow more light under canopy of trees, works have been previously carried out.				
Assessment Date	05/04/23				
Officer comments	Group of 4 oaks in rear garden with an evergreen hedge some 4m high between this and the neighbouring property to the west. The site backs onto the marina – the trees are partly visible from there but screened by other oaks within the property. The trees are visible from the surrounding properties to the west and north, and form part of the distinct character of this section of Hamble-Le Rice. The trees form a cohesive group with a shared canopy. They have been lifted to 4.5-5m already. Owner seen on site: discussed options and advised against severe crown lift due to increased risk of failure in an exposed site.				
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area
					Raise no objection
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Decision notice	REFUSE: Group of 4 no. Oak (G1 in the rear garden)- Crown lift to 6 metres removing small diameter branches less than 50mm CONSENT: Selective branch removal as follows: 4 oaks Tree to south: remove one smaller diameter, lowest lateral growing to south-southwest over boundary hedge. Tree to northwest nearest north boundary: remove three or four small diameter (max 75mm) lowest laterals growing to north: removal trailing small diameter (less than 50mm diameter) branches on northeast section of canopy up to maximum height of 5m. Tree to southeast of group: Removal trailing small diameter (less than 50mm diameter) branches on northeast section of canopy up to maximum height of 5m.				

	Reason: crown lifting all 4 trees to 6m will raise the centre of gravity and remove some of the natural load-shedding capacity of the trees. This will make them more prone to failure and do little to increase light levels.		
Conditions	Standard.		
Notes to applicant	To improve light and sense of space in the garden, consider reducing or removing conifers in your garden (avoid nesting season) and asking your neighbour if they will consider reducing the height of the large evergreen hedge by about one third to one half (it will regrow quickly). This will still offer privacy but be less oppressive. The oak with the lost leader to the south of the property is of poor form – consider removal and replacement in due course (a new application would be required and there is no guarantee it would be consented. Replanting would be required as a condition of removal if it were consented). Consider installing bird spikes on the top side of the branch that grows over the seating area using panel pins or galvanised nails, not cable ties. Dead wood is exempt and may be removed without permission.		
Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	n/a		