

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/95124					
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway					
Address	77 WINCHESTER ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 2GG					
Proposed work	1 no. Cedar (T1 located in rear garden)- Tip reduce by 1-2.5m in selected areas (see annotated photos) overgrown lateral branches overhanging the garden to bring the canopy back into a more uniformed shape. Remove back to the main stem x3 lowest branches overhanging the rear and right-hand side boundary.					
Assessment Date	12/07/23					
Officer comments	The tree is situated within the rear of the property. It has some visibility from the public highway, therefore could be considered to have moderate amenity value. The applicant has proposed to remove back to the main stem x3 lowest branches overhanging the rear and right-hand side boundary. On site the three lowest branches matching the work specification do not match those marked on the submitted photograph, one of which is significantly bigger than the three lowest laterals. The tree has a high crown break and is clear of any structures. Whilst the proposed work is unlikely to affect the overall amenity of the tree, the work would increase the height of the crown break and leave large pruning wounds. 7.2.4 of BS3998:2012 Tree Work Recommendations documents that <i>"the removal of branches which are close together on a parent stem or branch should be avoided, unless the tree is young or cuts are so small, they are capable of occluding"</i>. The proposed cuts are on a similar level, and given their size have the potential, over time, to affect structural integrity pruning, affecting tree longevity. The trees overall form is good. Lateral branches to the east do not show as much growth as those to the west. The occupier informed me that this was because an adjacent tree had been removed. Whilst the proposed localised crown reduction is not necessary, it is unlikely to have a long-term detriment to the tree or affect amenity value.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			

Decision notice	REFUSE: 1 no. Cedar (T1 located in rear garden) - Remove back to the main stem x3 lowest branches overhanging the rear and right-hand side boundary. CONSENT: 1 no. Cedar (T1 located in rear garden) - Tip reduce by 1-2.5m in selected areas (see annotated photos)		
Conditions	Standard		
Notes to applicant	None		
Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	n/a		