

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/95587					
Surveyor	SK					
Address	72 DEVONSHIRE GARDENS, BURSLEDON, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 8HE					
Proposed work	1 no. Silver Birch and 1 no. Sycamores (G1) - Fell to ground level. Remove arisings. Self-set trees growing in footpath access to rear of properties. 1 no. Horse Chestnut (T2)- Fell to ground level. Remove arisings. Self-set tree growing in footpath access to rear of properties.					
Assessment Date	11/08/23					
Officer comments	SK visited site: trees not visible from the front of the houses, but they are visible from the side and main road (Lionheart Way). There is extensive dense woodland to the rear of this view. All of them are self-set, growing by or on a low retaining wall that forms a short alley between the properties. All of them are poor condition, the sycamore has included a chain-link fence at the base, the sweet chestnut (misidentified as horse chestnut on the application) has a swept stem from the wall and will foreseeably cause damage. The birch is poor and has been hacked about already and would be exposed once others are removed. They do offer screening between the houses, but it is clear that trees of this size were never intended to be present in this narrow access. They are outgrowing the space and there is potential for damage to the wall. No space for replanting.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
	X					
Decision notice	CONSENT: 1 no. silver birch and 1 no. sycamores (G1) - Fell to ground level. 1 no. sweet chestnut (misidentified as horse chestnut on the application) (T2) - Fell to ground level.					
Conditions	Standard.					
Notes to applicant	The removal of these trees will remove screening between the houses so it might be worth alerting the neighbours to the planned works. Consider treating stumps with herbicide to prevent regrowth = the sycamore and sweet chestnut both have potential for regenerating from stumps.					
Parish comments	Our tree Consultant has made the following comments The three small trees involved are poor specimens due to their location, and in fact have grown wild in a private (and seemingly unused) footpath for local residents. I have no problem with their intended removal.					

Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	The Parish comment has been noted.		