

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/96170
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway
Address	15 SHERWOOD ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5DF
Proposed work	1no. Hornbeam (T1) - Crown lift by 3m and crown reduction by 2m. 1no. Oak (T2) - Crown lift to 4m and crown thin by removing rubbing and crossing branches. 1no. Beech (T3) - Reduce 2 long lateral limbs by 2m.
Assessment Date	09/11/23
Officer comments	All three trees are within the rear of properties. T1 is along the southern border of the property. It is a mature tree in overall good health. The tree offers some amenity value from Sherwood Road. The applicant has proposed to crown lift by 3m. The tree already offers good ground clearance, therefore, to further increase this would give the tree an unnaturally high canopy break, leaving large wounds on the main stem and primary scaffolds. This would increase the potential for pest and disease induced by excessive pruning as outlined in 0.3 of BS3998:2010 Tree Work Recommendations. This would negatively impact tree longevity. Whilst the proposed crown lift is deemed disproportionate, a crown lift to 3m above ground level would be reasonable for the management of the tree within its location. The proposed reduction does not appear necessary; however, it is acknowledged it is unlikely to negatively impact the overall amenity value or long-term health of the tree. T2 is within the northeast of the garden. It is a mature tree in overall good health. The tree has been previously pollarded and has since lapsed to form a canopy. The proposed crown lift to 4m above ground level is reasonable for the management of the tree within its location given its proximity to structures. The tree does not appear to have any notable crossing or rubbing branches. The proposed crown thin by removal of crossing and rubbing branches is not a sufficient specification. Therefore, where the applicant proposes to remove specific branches, these will need to be detailed within an application. Crown thinning for structural integrity is deemed inappropriate within BS3998:2010 Tree Work Recommendations, therefore proposed work beyond a crown lift is deemed unjustified. T3 The beech is situated within a neighbouring property along the southern border. It has limited visual amenity value. The proposal to

	reduce two lateral limbs by up to 2m is unlikely to be detrimental to the visual amenity or long-term health of the tree.					
	All trees should have cut sizes limited to prevent significant wounding.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1no. Hornbeam (T1) - Crown lift by 3m. 1no. Oak (T2) - Crown thin by removing rubbing and crossing branches. CONSENT: 1no. Hornbeam (T1) - Crown lift to a maximum of 3m above ground level and a crown reduction by 2m. 1no. Oak (T2) - Crown lift to 4m above ground level. 1no. Beech (T3) - Reduce 2 long lateral limbs by 2m. All cut sizes limited to 75mm diameter maximum.					
Conditions	Standard quality and time, cut sizes 75mm					
Notes to applicant	None					
Parish comments	None					
Public objection/ support	Support		Objection		Observation	
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Objection/ support consideration	The supporting comment has been considered.					