

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/96163					
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway					
Address	1 LENNOX CLOSE, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 1FR					
Proposed work	1 no. Oak (T1) - Reduce canopy by up to 3m all round to reduce risk of limb failure over road and pavement and retain tree at reasonable size for its location, leaving a finished height of 18m and spread of 16m. Crown raise removing epicormic growth up to 6m from ground level.					
Assessment Date	09/11/23					
Officer comments	The tree is a mature oak situated within the northwest of the property, adjacent the highway. The tree appears in overall fair health, has a high crown break and is clear of structures. It has good visual amenity from both Kingsway and Lennox Close. The applicant has proposed to crown raise the tree by removal of epicormic growth. This is reasonable to remove and limit obstruction to the footway. The applicant has also proposed to reduce canopy by up to 3m all round to reduce risk of limb failure over road and pavement, leaving a finished height of 18m and spread of 16m. Within the application the applicant has stated that they do not fear the tree might break or fall, and no features were noted on site that would pose an increased risk of failure. 7.2.3.2 of BS3998:2010 Tree Work Recommendations states '<i>mature and old trees generally have a reduced capacity to tolerate the potentially adverse effects of wounding</i>'. Given the trees age, the quantity of epicormic growth on the stem and the slightly sparse condition, the proposed reduction is likely to have negative impact and with potential to cause decline as it will further reduce the trees' ability to perform physiological functions. Therefore, the request to reduce this tree is deemed unjustified.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1 no. Oak (T1) - Reduce canopy by up to 3m all round leaving a finished height of 18m and spread of 16m. CONSENT: 1 no. Oak (T1) - Crown raise removing epicormic growth up to 6m from ground level.					
Conditions	Standard quality and time					

Notes to applicant	None		
Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	n/a		