

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/96339					
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway					
Address	12 HILTINGBURY CLOSE, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5NY					
Proposed work	1no. Oak (T1) - Reduce tree by 2m all over. All cuts will be taken at a suitable growth point, tree will be left in a natural and balanced shape, branches are starting to overextend towards the house and over highway.					
Assessment Date	04/12/23					
Officer comments	The tree is a mature oak, it is situated within the southwest of the property. It is adjacent the highway and offers good levels of amenity. The oak appears in fair health. The tree provides sufficient clearance over the highway. The tree has previously been pruned to the northeast, likely to offer clearance from the property. Regrowth gives the tree a slightly unnatural appearance of the northeast. The tree has some notable dieback from the tips. The applicant has proposed to prune the entire canopy by up to 2m. The proposed work will reduce the trees' ability to perform physiological functions. 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 and condition, the proposed reduction is likely to have a negative impact and initiate decline. The applicant has stated that work forms part of an ongoing Maintenance plan, however, the plan has not been provided and there does not appear to be significant history within the planning portal. No features were noted that would suggest the tree posed an increase in risk, therefore, the proposed work is deemed unjustified. It is acknowledged that the tree is in proximity to structures, therefore, a localised reduction to ensure there is 2m clearance from buildings would be more appropriate.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1no. Oak (T1) - Reduce tree by 2m all over. CONSENT: 1no. Oak (T1) - Prune lateral growth to the northeast to provide up to 2m clearance from buildings.					
Conditions	Standard quality and time					
Notes to applicant	None					

Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	1	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	The supporting comment has been considered during the decision-making process.		