

## Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

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| <b>Application Number</b> | T/26/100859                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |               |                                      |                                |                                        |
| <b>Surveyor</b>           | AM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |               |                                      |                                |                                        |
| <b>Address</b>            | HEDGE END RETAIL PARK, TOLLBAR WAY, HEDGE END                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |               |                                      |                                |                                        |
| <b>Proposed work</b>      | <p>1no. Oak (T02) - Prune roots at excavations edge. Removing approx 2% of rooting area.</p> <p>1no. Oak (T07) - Prune roots at excavations edge.</p> <p>1no. Scots Pine (T08) - Fell and remove stump.</p> <p>1no. Field Maple (T10) - Prune roots at excavations edge.</p> <p>1no. Ash (T11) - Prune roots at excavations edge.</p> <p>1no. Ash (T12) - Fell and remove stump.</p> <p>1no. Field Maple (T13) - Fell and remove stump.</p> <p>1no. Oak (T14) - Fell and remove stump.</p> <p>The works relate to the formation of a new concrete base for an electrical substation to be installed by SSE. The base will be located close to or partially within the root protection zone of an oak tree, will be formed 550mm below the surface of the ground.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |                                      |                                |                                        |
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| <b>Assessment Date</b>    | 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |               |                                      |                                |                                        |
| <b>Officer comments</b>   | <p>TPO ref: 93-E protects three oaks at this site. The remainder of the trees are not protected by TPO.</p> <p>The proposal is to carry out root pruning of the oaks to enable the installation of a concrete slab for a new sub-station. It is not within the remit of this application to determine whether they slab may be formed. A separate application has been invited.</p> <p>The proposed root pruning is at the periphery of the BS5837:2012 root protection area. However, roots can and do grow beyond this area. No matter how the true rooting area is calculated, the extent of root pruning will be minor. It will be confined to small diameter and/or fibrous roots. The pruning of these at the location specified will be of negligible or no impact to the oaks. There will be no impact to public, visual amenity caused by the pruning of roots.</p> <p>It is understood that the formation of the slab and construction of sub-station will require planning permission in its own right.</p> |               |                                      |                                |                                        |
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| <b>Decision</b>           | <b>Consent</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Refuse</b> | <b>Part consent/<br/>Part refuse</b> | <b>Withdrawn /<br/>Invalid</b> | <b>Conservation Area</b>               |
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| Decision notice                     | GRANT CONSENT: 1no. Oak (T02) - Prune roots at excavations edge. Removing approx 2% of rooting area. 1no. Oak (T07) - Prune roots at excavations edge.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |           |             |
| Conditions                          | Compliance with supporting AMS/TPP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |           |             |
| Notes to applicant                  | Does not give permission to form slab etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |           |             |
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| Parish comments                     | HETC: No Objection subject to strict adherence to the submitted Arboricultural method statement, report, constraints plan and Tree Protection Plan.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |           |             |
| Public objection/<br>support        | Support                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Objection | Observation |
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| Objection/ support<br>consideration | <p>Removing large tree roots from this healthy and mature Oak tree will make the tree unstable and, liable to become unhealthy later on.</p> <p>If large roots are hacked off , the tree may not be able to get enough nutrients and water. Removing roots close to or fused to the trunk are critical to the tree's structure. This damage is irreversible.</p> <p>What happens later if, the remaining mature trees decline due to the damage inflicted by these excavations?</p> <p>Planting a few silver birch trees to replace the Oaks is not acceptable.</p> <p>There are no man made infrastructures within this vital ecological site. It is mature and healthy.</p> <p>Gouging a concrete block into the soil, laying cables and digging trenches, will scar this vital green gap forever.</p> <p>This is also public footpath that runs through the site from one retail section to the other.</p> <p>This is ecological vandalism and unnecessary.</p> <p>Why can't the sub station be site a few metres away? In the tarmacked retail car park? Further down where there are no vital trees growing?</p> <p>There are no lawful reasons EBC have to consent to this proposal.</p> <p>It totally contravenes environmental protection policies.</p> |           |             |

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|  | AM response: only the two oaks T2 and T7 are protected by TPO. The impact to these trees will be negligible. Formation of the slab etc. is not consented via this TPO application. |
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