

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/26/101641								
Surveyor	AM								
Address	1 RUSTAN CLOSE, FAIR OAK, EASTLEIGH, SO50 7HL								
Proposed work	1no. Elm (T1) - Dismantle to as close to ground level as reasonably possible. Tree is in decline, suspected to have succumbed to Dutch Elm Disease 1no . Oak (T2) - Dismantle to leave a 2m monolith, approx. fence height. Tree appears to be in decline with large sections of the canopy predominantly on one side void of foliage or very little present. Fungal fruiting body located at 0.5m from ground on NE side of stem, suspected Ganoderma species.								
Assessment Date	23 rd July 2026								
Officer comments	Area A1 of TPO 25-E protects the oak (T2) but due to its age, is unlikely to protect the elm (T1). The application elm, T1, is stone-dead, presumably from Dutch elm disease. As such, it's felling would be exempt if it were protected by TPO. The application oak, T2, is a large specimen measuring some 20m tall and with a stem diameter of approximately 70cm dbh. Both estimated by eye. The crown is 90% dead, with only a few clumps of epicormic growth remaining above 8m above ground level. There is evidence of past branch failure and wounds are failing to occlude. Fungal brackets of what appear to be Ganoderma resinaceum have also been identified on the butt; no assessment has been made as to the extent of decay. However, the poor physiological condition of the tree tips the balance in favour of the fungus. Taking into account the position of the tree within a private garden, close to property and overhanging a residential road, it is a reasonable proposal to fell the tree as this will remove the risk. Alternative means of retaining the tree e.g. crown reduction would not be viable on a tree in such poor physiological condition. A replacement tree can be required by condition.								
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Raise no objection</td><td>TPO</td></tr> <tr> <td>X</td><td></td></tr> </table>	Raise no objection	TPO	X	
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Decision notice	GRANT CONSENT: 1no . Oak (T2) - Dismantle to leave a 2m monolith, approx. fence height. (T1 / elm is not protected by TPO so can be felled at any time).								

Conditions	1 x replacement tree		
Notes to applicant			
Parish comments	None.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	None received.		