

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/26/101917					
Surveyor	AM					
Address	Land adjacent to Botley Road, West End, Southampton, SO30 3JW					
Proposed work	1no. Oak (T1) - Crown reduce height by 2-3m, north aspect by 2-3m, east aspect by 3-4m, south aspect by 3-4m and west aspect by 2-3m. Dimensions after pruning will be around 20m in height, and crown spreads of around 8-9m in each direction. Works are necessary in the interest of tree risk management and are in response to the letter issued by Hampshire County Council Highways' arboricultural officer (attached in docs). The works will not cause significant harm to the tree, and as the profile of it will remain mostly unchanged from public viewpoints, it will have no detrimental impact on its contribution to local character.					
Assessment Date	5 th October 2026					
Officer comments	Oak protected within G1 of 798-E. Large, mature oak located by Botley Road, clearly visible to the public and offering significant benefits in terms of visual amenity. Visually healthy but has fungal fruiting body of <i>Pseudoinonotus dryadeus</i> growing from the roadside/southern side of the stem. This is a significant species of fungi which decays the heartwood of a range of tree species, including oak. It is generally associated with decay close to, or below ground level, affecting the lower stem and buttresses. The road adjacent to the tree is often heavily traffic'ed, particularly when events take place at the Utilita Bowl. Whole tree failure to the road would therefore present a high risk of harm to the public. No assessment has been provided as to the extent of decay. However, the proposed reduction is modest, will be tolerated by the tree and will reduce wind loading on any decayed parts. As such, the proposed reduction is reasonable and should be consented.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
	X					
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Conditions	BS3998		
Notes to applicant	N/A		
Parish comments	None.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	None received.		