

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/23/96711					
Surveyor	SK/IK					
Address	Land to the rear of numbers 5-12 Felton Close. Network Rail Land., Felton Close, Southampton, SO31 5HT					
Proposed work	3no. Oak (A, C & E) - Crown raise to 20ft & sever Ivy around trunks. 2no. Sycamore (B & D) - Crown raise to 20ft & sever Ivy around trunks. Multiple neighbour complaints to Network Rail about overhang and seed fall.					
Assessment Date	29/02/2024					
Officer comments	The group of trees located between the railway station grounds and the residential gardens is also visible from the houses immediately across the railways. During the site visit no oak trees were observed at this location only sycamore and ash but hard to determine if the group includes more than 5 trees as most of them are multi-stemmed. Trees are less visible from Felton Close as they are growing behind the properties and are not tall enough to be seen as a backdrop. However, the group does provide screening for the properties across the railways. The proposed crown lift to 20 feet which is over 6 meters is found excessive and would potentially increase the risk of failure by moving the denser growth the top of slender stems, increasing leverage on the base. However, a 4m crown lift of the trees on the residential gardens side only will be consented to. Ivy removal does not require planning permission.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
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Decision notice	Refuse: 3no. Oak (A, C & E) - Crown raise to 20ft. (8m) 2no. Sycamore (B & D) - Crown raise to 20ft. (8m) Consent: Group of 5 multi-stemmed trees at the rear of 5-12 Felton Close - Crown lift to 4m on the residential gardens side only. Maximum cut size 75mm in diameter.					
Conditions	Standard + limit cut size to 75mm in diameter.					
Notes to applicant	Ivy removal does not require planning permission so can be carried out without damage to the bark of the trees.					

Parish comments	HPC Members agreed to concur with the Arbouriculturalist at Eastleigh Borough Council		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration	The Parish comment has been noted.		