

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/24/96934					
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway					
Address	18 QUEENS ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5AH					
Proposed work	1no. Oak (T1) - Reduce by up to 1.5m all over back to suitable growth points and leaving the tree in a natural balanced shape. Work being carried out as part of an ongoing maintenance plan to care for the tree as it is in such close proximity to the house.					
Assessment Date	28/03/24					
Officer comments	The tree is a mature oak within the rear of the property, it is highly visible over the rooftops and offers good amenity value and character to the local area. The tree appears in fair health with a slightly sparse appearance. The applicant has proposed to reduce the tree by up to 1.5m all over as part of an ongoing management plan. 7.2.3.2 of BS3998:2010 Tree Work Recommendations is clear in that it states, <i>"mature and old trees generally have a reduced capacity to tolerate the potentially adverse effects of wounding"</i>. Therefore, proposed work should be appropriate for the tree and its condition. The proposed reduction would remove a significant proportion of photosynthetic material, which would potentially cause the tree to decline. Where work is proposed to manage a declining tree, <i>"written arboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert"</i>, as outlined in Regulation 16(1) of The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012 should be provided. I would expect the management plan referred to in the application to be provided, therefore, the proposed work is deemed unjustified. However, a localised reduction to ensure clearance from buildings would be deemed reasonable.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1no. Oak (T1) - Reduce by up to 1.5m all over back to suitable growth points CONSENT: 1no. Oak (T1) – Reduce northern canopy to provide up to 1.5m clearance from buildings.					

Conditions	Standard quality and time		
Notes to applicant	None		
Parish comments	None		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	1
Objection/ support consideration	The public representation has been noted.		