

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/24/97503					
Surveyor	Charlotte Holloway					
Address	1 TERRIOTE CLOSE SO53 2QF					
Proposed work	1no. Beech (T1) - Crown raise to approx 6m above ground level, prune to provide approx 3m clearance from property - To allow more light into garden, provide sufficient clearance from the highway and property.					
Assessment Date	02/07/24					
Officer comments	The tree is situated to the front of the property. It is a mature beech, adjacent the highway, with high levels of visual amenity. The tree appears in good vitality. The applicant has proposed to crown lift the tree to 6m above ground level. The tree is currently sufficiently clear of the highway. The proposed crown lift is deemed excessive for the tree within its location. BS3998:2010 Tree Works Recommendations is clear <i>“crown lifting should be avoided or minimised in mature or old trees if possible, since it can increase the probability of stem failure”</i>. Beech do not tolerate pruning well and the proposed lift is unlikely to significantly increase light levels into the property. As concluded earlier, the 6m lift over the highway is deemed excessive for the tree within its location. A refuge truck requires a maximum of 4.5m to access a residential street. I would expect to see a crown lift of up to 5.2m on main A and trunk roads only, where high sided vehicles require access. The request to lift the tree to 6m is deemed unjustified. Pruning for clearance from structures is reasonable for the management of the tree within its location.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 1no. Beech (T1) - Crown raise to approx. 6m above ground level, prune to provide approx. 3m clearance from property CONSENT: 1no. Beech (T1) - Crown raise to a maximum of 3m above ground level all round and 4.5m over the highway. Prune lateral growth to provide a maximum of 2m clearance from property. Cut sizes not to exceed 50mm.					
Conditions	Standard quality and time plus cut sizes.					
Notes to applicant						

Parish comments	None.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
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Objection/ support consideration			