

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form						
Application Number	T/24/97551					
Surveyor	SK IF					
Address	99 WATKIN ROAD, HEDGE END, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 2TB					
Proposed work	1no. Crack Willow - Reduce height by approx. 6m, leaving approx. 8m high.					
Assessment Date	24/07/2024					
Officer comments	The crack willow tree is located within the rear garden and in very close proximity to the property, it can be seen from public realm. The tree was previously crown lifted and developed a dense high canopy as a result, somewhat 'lollypop' shaped. Reducing the height by 6m will remove a large amount of the photosynthetic material however this species is known for prolific regrowth even in unfavourable conditions such as the presence of fungi/decay (the application included a report of 'large hole at approx. 4m with fungus growth internally' but there is no further evidence to indicate how severe this is). The proposed works are considered justified, however, bearing in mind the characteristics of the species and considering ongoing management of the tree that will be required in future it is suggested that an application to fell and replace with a species more suitable for the location might be a more appropriate management approach. The residents have the option of submitting a new application which will be fast tracked and if supported with appropriate evidence, it is unlikely that it will be refused, subject to objections.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
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Conditions						
Notes to applicant	The proposed works are considered justified, however, bearing in mind the characteristics of the species and considering ongoing management of the tree that will be required in future it is suggested that an application to fell and replace with a species more suitable for the location might be a more appropriate management approach. A new application with supporting evidence would be required, as would a replacement tree.					

Parish comments	No Objection subject to the usual conditions of the tree officer.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	1	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	Support comment has been considered during decision-making.		