

Eastleigh Borough Council Preservation Order and Conservation Area Application Assessment Form

Application Number	T/24/98439				
Surveyor	AM				
Site assessment Date	19 th November 2024				
Address	15 FIRS DRIVE, HEDGE END, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 4QQ				
Work notification/ request	2no. Common Beech (T3 & T4) - Reduction of lateral spread over garden & growing towards property by up to 3m back to suitable growth points. Pruning cuts not to exceed 45mm. Reason: Sound Arboricultural Management.				
Comments/ observations following site visit	The application beech are protected within a group classification TPO ref: 140-E. The most significant public views of these trees is from the main section of Firs Drive. They are also visible from several of the cul-de-sac spurs off the main row. These trees provide character to the area, an element of seclusion between properties and soften the built form. The trees are large, mature specimens and seem in reasonable health. The proposed work is limited in extent as is moderated by proposing maximum pruning wound size of 45mm diameter. This would confine pruning to predominantly sapwood / the outer parts of the tree therefore would be expected to be well tolerated. The works are proposed due to “sound arboricultural management”, although this is not expanded on. However, as the works are minor in nature and of no disbenefit to public views, the works are acceptable and should be permitted. Note: The address of the applicant is stated as No.5 Firs Drive although the plan makes it clear to which address this application refers to.				
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area ☐ Raise no objection
	X				TPO
Decision notice	Consent: 2no. Common Beech (T3 & T4) - Reduction of lateral spread over garden & growing towards property by up to 3m back to suitable growth points. Pruning cuts not to exceed 45mm.				
Conditions	Standard (in accordance with BS3998:2010)				
Notes to applicant	Standard wording regarding common law rights				
Parish comments	No Objection, the proposed works are reasonable, they are limited by 45mm so should not adversely affect the tree.				
	Support		Objection		Observation

Public objection/ support	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration			