

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/24/98515			
Surveyor	SK			
Address	WESTWOOD COURT, 64-66 HIGH STREET, WEST END			
Proposed work	3no. Common Lime (T1, T2 & T3) - Crown raise to give 5m clearance from ground level. Lateral reduction of 3-4m back to previous pruning points to bring limbs back in from over neighbours' property. Height reduction of 5m & crown clean removing all deadwood. The work proposed is to maintain the trees health & in the interest of good tree husbandry & visual amenities in the area.			
Assessment Date	05/12/24			
Officer comments	This site has been visited again even though this is the third application in less than 2 years. Storm Darragh has just gone through, and the trees have not been damaged by it. The specification given is still as a second high reduction and this will, as stated before, encourage vigorous regrowth on the upper sections of the tree and result in even heavier loading than is currently present. This will result in higher loads on the original, lower pollard point. It is strongly advised that if works are to be done on these trees, then the most appropriate arboricultural response is to repollard them to the original point. This was put as an advisory note on previous applications. Repollarding is the more acceptable option but cannot be consented under this application as it is greater works. A lateral reduction on the neighbours' side can be done, but at present the branches are within 1m of the eaves so this will only be allowed to clear to 2.0m A 5m crown lift is unwarranted on this site which is primarily accessed by domestic traffic: the clearance on the application court side is above this at present anyway. The total of the works applied for would be the loss of a very large volume of live material and resulting in multiple wounds: lime are vigorous so could probably tolerate this loss but the resulting structural form will be poor. Previous applications: T/23/96270 - WESTWOOD COURT, 64-66 HIGH STREET, WEST END 24/10/23 And T/23/94797 - WESTWOOD COURT, 64-66 HIGH STREET, WEST END 08/03/23			
	Consent	Refuse		Conservation Area

Decision			Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Raise no objection	TPO
			X			
Decision notice	REFUSE: 3no. Common Lime (T1, T2 &T3) - Crown raise to give 5m clearance from ground level. Lateral reduction of 3-4m back to previous pruning points to bring limbs back in from over neighbours’ property. Height reduction of 5m & crown clean removing all deadwood. CONSENT: 3no. Common Lime (T1, T2 &T3)- Prune back from neighbouring property to clear by up to 2.0m.					
Conditions	Standard.					
Notes to applicant	As previously advised, putting a third, higher reduction point on these trees is not advised on arboricultural grounds due to the increased loading from regrowth. Consider applying for a repollard to the original or to the second reduction points. Deadwood is exempt and can be removed without consent – it is advised to record the arisings in case of future challenge.					
Parish comments	None received					
Public objection/ support	Support		Objection		Observation	
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Objection/ support consideration						