

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/24/98664					
Surveyor	SK					
Address	ACORNS, HOLMESLAND LANE, BOTLEY, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 2EH					
Proposed work	1no. Oak (T1) - Remove epicormic growth on lowest branch over driveway. 1no. Oak (T3) - Remove epicormic growth on main stem, Prune to provide 1m clearance from telephone line. 1no. Oak (T4) - Crown reduce upper canopy by approx. 2m from branch tips to suitable growth points, concentrating on rubbing/crossing limb on adjacent Oak tree over hanging road. Reason, to reduce end load on branch compromised by a rubbing branch from adjacent tree which overhangs highway. 1no. Oak (T5) - Crown reduce canopy by approx. 2.5m from branch tips to suitable growth points, reduce lowest branch overhanging driveway of 1 Holmesland Lane to first sub-lateral. In decline with dieback in upper crown. To encourage lower epicormic growth to create a new lower canopy & to retain. Will also reduce sail area for tree in close proximity to property, service lines & highway.					
Assessment Date	22/01/25					
Officer comments	Trees highly visible growing to frontage of property on Holmesland Lane. Characteristic of area, probably hedgerow oaks that have been retained through development. The neighbouring property to the south has been recently (in the last few years) reconfigured including a formalised paved driveway. It is likely that this is a contributory factor to the dieback from the tips of T5, but it is putting on good epicormic growth, so the physiological response looks strong. T5 - Removal of some material is warranted, a height only reduction will remove the tip dieback and perhaps promote epicormic growth lower down. The reduction of the sub lateral to the indicated point will result in a large wound that will take many years to occlude – as this has been cut back in recent years: the vegetative response is good, it is preferable to retain this new growth to help the tree respond to the recent changes in its rooting area. There is sufficient clearance to the property to mean no damage is foreseeable.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
			X			

Decision notice	REFUSE: 1no. Oak (T4) - Crown reduce upper canopy by up to 2m from branch tips to suitable growth points. 1no. Oak (T5) - Reduce lowest branch overhanging driveway of 1 Holmesland Lane to first sub-lateral. CONSENT: 1no. Oak (T1) - Remove epicormic growth on lowest branch over driveway. No cut to exceed 25mm diameter. 1no. Oak (T3) - Remove epicormic growth on main stem, prune to provide 1m clearance from telephone line. No cut to exceed 50mm diameter. 1no. Oak (T4) - selective branch reduction of up to 2m in length from tip on one branch rubbing adjacent tree which overhangs highway. Cut to be maximum 75mm in diameter. 1no. Oak (T5) - Crown reduce height of upper canopy only by up to 2.0m to suitable growth points to leave height of c. 16m (slightly shorter than adjacent tree). Max cut size of 50mm in diameter. (No works to T2 requested)		
Conditions	Standard and no cut to exceed stated size per operation.		
Notes to applicant			
Parish comments	None received.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration			