

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/25/98708				
Surveyor	AM				
Address	THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE, ST JOHNS ROAD, HEDGE END, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 4AF				
Proposed work	1no. Cherry (T114) - Remove. Proposed to be replaced with a Crataegus (or similar flowering) species planted further from the underground services.				
Assessment Date	17 th January 2025				
Officer comments	The application cherry is a small, mature tree measuring approximately 7m tall and with a stem diameter of approximately 40cm dbh. The tree is clearly visible to the public from St Johns Road and offers benefit in terms of amenity. The applicant proposes to fell the tree on the basis of its poor form, stem decay, shallow rooting, proximity to services and short remaining life expectancy. The crown amounts to a single ascending primary branch growing from the top of the stem; other branches have previously died or been removed. Having tapped the stem with a mallet, there is some audible decay and there is a risk that the remaining branch might tear out into the road. The shallow rooting is typical of ornamental cherries but does not appear to be a significant burden at this time. No evidence has been supplied which would show damage or interference with surrounding services. As an ornamental cherry, probably 'Kanzans' as the applicant suggests, the tree does indeed have a short overall life expectancy of less than 50 years. Given it's maturity, stem decay and overall poor form, it's will not remain as a useful amenity feature for more than a few years. As such, felling and replacement has been justified.				
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area
					Raise no objection TPO
	X				
Decision notice	1no. Cherry (T114) - Remove.				
Conditions	One (1) replacement tree is required to replace cherry T114. The replacement tree shall be either Crataegus laevigata (woodland hawthorn), Cercis canadensis (North American redbud), Magnolia 'Susan'				

	(hybrid Magnolia) or any other species first agreed in writing by the Council Tree Officer. The replacement tree shall be supplied and planted as a minimum 'light standard' (6-8cm stem girth at 1m from ground, 250-300cm tall and with a clear stem height from ground to lowest branch of 150-175cm) as per BS 3936-1:1992. It shall be planted in the first planting season immediately following the felling of the tree and shall be planted within 5m of the original tree. If the replacement tree dies or in the opinion of the Council becomes seriously damaged or defective within 3 years of planting, it shall be replaced in the soonest planting season and the same terms shall apply.		
Notes to applicant			
Parish comments	No Objection subject to the usual conditions of the tree officer.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration	None received.		