

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/25/98960					
Surveyor	IF					
Address	68 ASHDOWN ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5QJ					
Proposed work	1no. Larch (T1, originates from 32 Maytree Road) - Reduce side over hanging 68 Ashdown Road by 1.5m back to natural growth points. Work will leave tree in a natural & balanced shape & will be carried out as part of an ongoing maintenance plan for the garden.					
Assessment Date	06/03/2025					
Officer comments	T1 originating from 32 Maytree Road is a large-sized good specimen providing high public amenity thanks to its position in between the properties. Some of the tree higher canopy overhangs the applicant's garden however there is no encroachment onto the property and the vertical clearance is at least 3 meters between the lowest branch on the applicant's side and their shed's roof and roughly 5m from the ground level. The applicant has proposed to reduce side overhanging 68 Ashdown Road by 1.5m back to natural growth points. This will negatively affect the visual amenity the tree currently provides. It is not clear what the desired outcome the applicant would like to achieve – they stated works “will be carried out as part of an ongoing maintenance plan for the garden” however there is no actionable nuisance as such as per above. The proposed works will likely result in the opposite to “natural & balanced shape” cited in the application form. The specification is likely to remove substantial part of the canopy, leaving the tree ‘sided up’ with a number of ‘stub cuts’. This would not be in line with standards set out in BS3998:2010 Tree Work Recommendations. The remaining stubs are likely to leave an entry point for pest and pathogen. 7.2.4 of BS3998:2012 Tree Work Recommendations document that “the removal of branches which are close together on a parent stem or branch should be avoided, unless the tree is young or cuts are so small, they are capable of occluding”.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
		X			Raise no objection	TPO
Decision notice	Refuse: 1no. Larch (T1, originates from 32 Maytree Road) - Reduce side over hanging 68 Ashdown Road by 1.5m back to natural growth points.					
Conditions						

Notes to applicant			
Parish comments	None received.		
Public objection/ support	Support	Objection	Observation
	0	0	0
Objection/ support consideration			