

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/25/99362					
Surveyor	IF					
Address	5 FIRWOOD CLOSE, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 1HN					
Proposed work	1no. Beech (T1) – Crown reduction of up to 1.5m to allow increased light into homeowner's garden & maintain overall size & shape of crown. Crown lift to 3m. The works aim to improve light penetration while preserving the tree's health & form. All cuts will be back to a suitable growth point.					
Assessment Date	22/05/2025					
Officer comments	TPO 292-E (T5) The medium-sized copper beech (T1) is located in the rear garden near the boundary with the neighbouring property. It has high public amenity within the close and is partially visible from the main road. The tree appears healthy with well-developed full crown. During the site visit the resident confirmed they had no issue with the size of the tree or its safety but they wanted more light in the garden. The proposed crown lift to 3m is reasonable for the side of the tree overhanging the neighbour's garden as lower branches are almost in contact with the outbuilding and are generally quite low over the fence and lawn. Overall, the crown lift is deemed to be reasonable and shouldn't affect the tree's long-term health or public amenity. Crown reduction is not currently justified. The tree has a naturally well-developed full crown, it has sufficient space around it and is not encroaching onto the properties. The crown reduction will leave multiple pruning wounds and beech species are especially susceptible to decay resultant from pruning. These works will also reduce the tree's public amenity. Crown reduction will not allow to achieve the desired effect.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
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Decision notice	Refuse: 1no. Beech (T1) – Crown reduction of up to 1.5m. Consent: 1no. Beech (T1) - Crown lift to 3m.					
Conditions						
Notes to applicant						

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