

Eastleigh Borough Council Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Assessment Form

Application Number	T/25/99402
Surveyor	AM
Address	10 OAKFIELDS, EASTLEIGH, SO50 4RP
Proposed work	1no. Oak (T3) - Crown reduction to a final height of 8m with a horizontal radial canopy spread of 3.5m. Reason: Bark loss & decay at the base of the tree. 1no. Oak (T4) - Tip reduction of lateral branches to a horizontal branch length of 11m. Reason: Upper Northern canopy is showing more gaps between the branch units indicating a deteriorating vitality.
Assessment Date	16 th May 2025 (s.v. with Sapling Arboriculture/Agent)
Officer comments	Relevant TPO application history: T/24/97231 - Refused T/24/98506 – Refused and is subject of live appeal Both the above applications were the same proposal; that was the crown reduction of 4 no. oaks. The second application (98506) is currently the subject of an appeal however the Agent requested a site visit to discuss. This was carried out on 16th May. The Agent had dug around the base of T1 and T2 (not on this current application) and was able to demonstrate that basal decay (consistent with <i>Pseudoinonotus dryadeus</i>) was so extensive that I considered reduction beyond the original specification was not only reasonable but also meeting the requirements for a Regulation 14 c) exception. T3 and T4 (the subject of this application) are proposed for crown reduction; T3 has historically been reduced and has extensive regrowth from the previous reduction points. There is decay setting in at these points. There is also decay establishing at the base of the tree. Crown reduction as proposed is justified as otherwise the regrowth will tear apart from the old reduction points. T4 is a very large, twin-stemmed tree with an expansive but previously reduced crown. Some of the longer branches appear prone to failure to the access road, open space and adjacent garden. The proposed crown

	reduction will be of minimum impact to the health and visual appearance of the tree so is reasonable to permit.					
Decision	Consent	Refuse	Part consent/ Part refuse	Withdrawn / Invalid	Conservation Area	
					Raise no objection	TPO
	X					
Decision notice	Grant permission: 1no. Oak (T3) - Crown reduction to a final height of 8m with a horizontal radial canopy spread of 3.5m. 1no. Oak (T4) - Tip reduction of lateral branches to a horizontal branch length of 11m.					
Conditions	BS3998					
Notes to applicant						
Parish comments	None.					
Public objection/ support	Support		Objection		Observation	
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Objection/ support consideration	None received.					