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Application	T/25/100402
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Thursday 15 January 2026

The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012
The Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Application No. T/25/100402

In pursuance of their powers under the above Act and in accordance with your application received on Thursday 20 November 2025 the Council, as Local Planning Authority hereby **Part Consent Part Refuse Trees** the following :

Description: T1 - Oak - Reduce North facing limbs back to previous pruning points. Removing around 1 metres growth from the North facing side.
T2 - Oak - Crown raise to 7 metres on the North side of the fence and reduce North facing branches by up to 3 metres, leaving branch lengths of 7 metres.
T3 - Ash - Crown raise to 7 metres on the North side of the fence and reduce North facing branches by up to 3 metres, leaving branch lengths of 7 metres.
T4 - Oak - Reduce North facing branches by 1 metres leaving a branch length of 4 metres.
The trees are encroaching from council land onto the car park of 32-54 Mescott Meadows, as well as the nearby bin/bike store.

Site: 32 MESCOTT MEADOWS, HEDGE END, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 2JU

- 1 REFUSE PERMISSION:
- T2 - Oak - Crown raise to 7 metres on the North side of the fence and reduce North facing branches by up to 3 metres, leaving branch lengths of 7 metres.
T3 - Ash - Crown raise to 7 metres on the North side of the fence and reduce North facing branches by up to 3 metres, leaving branch lengths of 7 metres.

REASON FOR REFUSAL:

The application trees are clearly visible to the public from the roadside and the nature reserve to the south. They provide verdant separation between the residential properties and the public realm. As such, the Council considers that they provide a high level of public, visual amenity.

The proposed pruning of T2 and T3 is excessive. It will be harmful to tree health and to the visual amenity provided by these trees. The reason put forward to justify the work are that these trees encroach on a bin store and a car park, also that they grow close to a building and communal area. Neither T2 nor T3 encroach on either the bin store nor the car park. Whilst the northern parts of the tree grow towards the building and over a communal area, crown lifting to 7m and cutting back by 3m is excessive. Lesser works will be permitted (see below).

2 CONSENT TO:

T1 - Oak - Reduce North facing limbs back to previous pruning points. Removing around 1 metres growth from the North facing side.

T2 - Oak - Crown raise to 4 metres on the North side of the fence and reduce North facing branches by up to 2 metres, leaving branch lengths of 8 metres. Pruning wounds will not exceed 80mm diameter.

T3 - Ash - Crown raise to 4 metres on the North side of the fence and reduce North facing branches by up to 2 metres, leaving branch lengths of 8 metres. Pruning wounds will not exceed 80mm diameter.

T4 - Oak - Reduce North facing branches by 1 metres leaving a branch length of 4 metres.

3 The tree works hereby consented shall be completed within 2 years of the date of this permission and shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and to British Standard for Tree Work BS3998:2010.

Reason: To ensure works are carried out in accordance with good arboricultural practice.

Notes to Applicant:

All works hereby consented should be carried out by a suitably qualified and insured tree surgeon. A copy of the decision notice should be given to the Tree Surgeon.

Deadwood may be removed at any time without an application.

Please be advised that the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended, the

Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 and the Conservation (Natural Habitats) Regulations 1994 protect ALL wild birds, their nests (whether in use or being built) and eggs and other wild animals including bats and their roosts in or adjacent to trees.

The granting of consent does not give the applicant or their agent a legal right to enter land without the owner's permission.

Advice regarding overhead utilities should be sought with the relevant service provider prior to commencing works.

Please follow current recommended Bio-security measures - Further advice can be found at <https://www.trees.org.uk/News-Blog/News/Biosecurity-in-Arbiculture-and-Urban-Forestry-Po>

Deadwood within trees provides a rich and important habitat; it can be a natural part of the trees life cycle. Consider retention of deadwood where it is safe to do so.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N. Parker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Nicholas Parker
Planning Manager

N.B. See Attached Notes