

Gifford Tree Service
21b St Catherines Road
Hayling Island
Hants
PO11 0HF

Application Ref: **2018/6162/T**
Please ask for: **Tom Little**
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19 February 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation Order) Regulations 1999

REFUSAL OF CONSENT FOR WORKS TO TREE/S UNDER A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

Address:
3 Eton Villas
London
NW3 4SX

Proposal:
(TPO REF. 31H-T55) FRONT GARDEN: 1 x Fig T1 - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your application dated 14 December 2018 and decided to refuse consent for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

- 1 The fig is highly visible from the public realm and is considered to make a positive contribution to the character of the conservation area. Although there are some wounds on the main stem and some indication of decay the tree would appear to be in reasonable condition. The main reasons for removing the tree stated in the supporting documents are that the root collar is in contact with the garden wall, causing distortion and instability. The wall would appear to be relatively vertical at present, although it was largely obscured by a hoarding at the time of the site visit. However damage to a garden wall alone is not considered to be a sufficient reason



to remove a tree protected by a tree preservation order. If the wall has become unstable it is recommended that the wall should be removed and alternative engineering solutions should be explored to rebuild the wall or an alternative boundary treatment that would allow the retention of the tree.

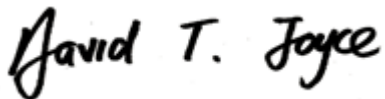
This application has been refused to protect the visual amenity the tree provides and preserve the character of the conservation area.

Informative(s):

- 1 If the Council were to receive an application to prune the fig with a specification to reduce the tree by up to 1m, it is likely that this would be approved.

If you are unhappy with the Council's decision you may appeal within 28 days of the date of this notice by writing to The Environment Team, Room 4/04, Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN.

Yours faithfully



David Joyce
Director of Regeneration and Planning

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