CRAWLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE - 22 July 2019

REPORT NO: PES/322(b)

REFERENCE NO: CR/2019/0286/TPO

LOCATION: TREE ADJACENT TO 2 TINTERN ROAD, GOSSOPS GREEN, CRAWLEY

WARD: Gossops Green

PROPOSAL OAK T1 - CUT BACK BRANCHES GROWING TOWARDS ROOFLINE BY UP TO 2

: METRES

TARGET DECISION DATE: 13 June 2019

CASE Mr R. Spurrell

OFFICER:

APPLICANTS NAME: Mr James Ireland

AGENTS NAME:

PLANS & DRAWINGS CONSIDERED:

REASON FOR REPORTING TO COMMITTEE:-

CBC is the applicant and landowner of Woldhurstlea Wood.

PUBLICITY / NOTIFICATION:

The application was advertised via a site notice and a neighbour letter was sent to 2 Tintern Road. No representations have been received.

PLANNING HISTORY:-

The trees are protected via a Woodland Tree Preservation Order - TPO REF: 16.03.05, TPO NUM: W1. There is no planning history for works to trees on this part of the woodland.

PLANNING POLICY:-

This application must be considered in the context of Part VIII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulation 2012.

National Planning Practice Guidance – Tree Preservation Orders and trees in conservation areas.

The Council's Green Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document (2016) is a non-statutory document.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:-

The determining issues in this application are the effect of the proposal on the health, character and appearance of the oak tree and the level of amenity that it provides within the surrounding area.

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Contribution to public visual amenity

Good – tree is located on the edge of the woodland to which it makes a strong contribution

Estimated remaining contribution

100+ yrs

Are works justified?

Yes

The tree is located adjacent to the side boundary of 2 Tintern Road. The tree is in close proximity to the house and the branches are overhanging and contacting with the roof. They require pruning back in order to maintain adequate clearance.

The tree is large with an abundance of suitable growth points to cut back to. The proposed level of works would have a negligible impact on the health of the oak tree and its amenity. The tree is one within the woodland edge and in the context of the wider landscaping the works would have no impact on the amenity of the woodland overall. The works are therefore considered justified.

RECOMMENDATION RE: CR/2019/0286/TPO

CONSENT - Subject to the following condition(s):-

- 1. This consent is valid for a period of two years from the date of this notice and shall only be carried out once.
 - REASON: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the works in the interests of good tree management in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 2. All works should be carried out in accordance with BS3998: 2010 'Tree Work Recommendations'. REASON: In the interests of visual amenity and to ensure the continuing health of the tree(s) in accordance with The Town & Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.



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