Application for tree works: works to trees subject to a tree preservation order (TPO) and/or notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Publication of planning applications on planning authority websites

Please note that with the exception of applicant contact details, the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the authority's website.

If you have provided any other information as part of your application which falls within the definition of personal data under the Data Protection Act which you do not wish to be published on the authority's website, please contact the authority's planning department.

Please complete using block capitals and black ink.
You must use this form if you are applying for work to trees protected by a tree preservation order (TPO). (You may also use it to give notice of works to trees in a conservation area).
It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes before filling in the form. Without the correct information, your application / notice cannot proceed.

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3. Trees Location

If all trees stand at the address shown in Question 1, go to Question 4. Otherwise, please provide the full address/location of the site where the tree(s) stand (including full postcode where available).

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If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, either describe as clearly as possible where it is (for example, 'Land to the rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road') or provide an Ordnance Survey grid reference.

Description:

5. What Are You Applying For?

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a TPO?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

6. Tree Preservation Order Details

If you know which TPO protects the tree(s), enter its title or number below.

Country code:  National number:  Extension number:

Country code:  Mobile number (optional):

Country code:  Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

7. Identification Of Tree(s) And Description Of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary. You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work. Where trees are protected by a TPO, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the TPO where this is available. Use the same numbers on your sketch plan (see guidance notes).

Please provide the following information below: tree species (and the number used on the sketch plan) and description of works. Where trees are protected by a TPO you must also provide reasons for the work and, where trees are being felled, please give your proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

E.g. Oak (T3) - fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with 1 standard ash in the same place.

Please see enclosed report from IWC Tree Officer and site plan.
8. Trees - Additional Information

Additional information may be attached to electronic communications or provided separately in paper format.

For all trees
A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in Question 7 must be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a TPO. A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area (see guidance notes). It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

For works to trees covered by a TPO
Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following. If so, your application must be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals. (See guidance notes for further details)

1. **Condition of the tree(s)** - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall:
   - □ Yes   □ No
   If YES, you are required to provide written arboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert.

2. **Alleged damage to property** - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives.
   - □ Yes   □ No
   If YES, you are required to provide for:
   - **Subsidence**
     A report by an engineer or surveyor, to include a description of damage, vegetation, monitoring data, soil, roots and repair proposals. Also a report from an arboriculturist to support the tree work proposals.
   - **Other structural damage** (e.g. drains, walls and hard surfaces)
     Written technical evidence from an appropriate expert, including description of damage and possible solutions.

**Documents and plans (for any tree)**
Are you providing separate information (e.g. an additional schedule of work for Question 7)?
   - □ Yes   □ No

If YES, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application. If they are being provided separately from this form, please detail how they are being submitted.
### 9. Application For Tree Works - Checklist

Only one copy of the application form and additional information (Question 8) is required. Please use the guidance and this checklist to make sure that this form has been completed correctly and that all relevant information is submitted. Please note that failure to supply precise and detailed information may result in your application being rejected or delayed. You do not need to fill out this section, but it may help you to submit a valid form.

**Sketch Plan**
- A sketch plan showing the location of all trees (see Question 8)

**For all trees**

(see Question 7)
- Clear identification of the trees concerned
- A full and clear specification of the works to be carried out

**For works to trees protected by a TPO**

(see Question 8)

Have you:
- stated reasons for the proposed works?
- provided evidence in support of the stated reasons? In particular:
  - if your reasons relate to the condition of the tree(s) - written evidence from an appropriate expert
  - if you are alleging subsidence damage - a report by an appropriate engineer or surveyor and one from an arboriculturist.
  - in respect of other structural damage - written technical evidence
- included all other information listed in Question 8?

### 10. Declaration - Trees

I/we hereby apply for consent/give notice for tree work as described in this form and the accompanying plans and additional information.

Signed - Applicant:  

Or signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

(This date must not be before the date of sending or hand-delivery of the form)

### 11. Applicant Contact Details

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| Country code: |
| Mobile number (optional): |
| Fax number (optional): |

Email address (optional):

Electronic communication - If you submit this form by fax or e-mail the LPA may communicate with you in the same manner.

(Please see guidance notes)
Hi Steve,

I have taken a look at the large Horse Chestnut in Littern Park on the 17 September 2018 the following are my findings.

This is an Aesculus hippocastanum "Horse chestnut tree" that is approx. 22 metres in height and located next to Medina Avenue and next to Node Hill sixth form Campus. The tree is mature in age and thought to be an important feature to the surrounding area due to its size and location. It is also noted that it is protected by virtue of being located in a conservation area and as such any work carried out will have to be done by application.

The trees general condition is poor as the upper crown in dyeing back considerably.

Fungal bodies found on the tree.

From inspection of the tree two types of fungal bodies were seen to be present.

At the base of the tree several fungal bodies are seen on the northern and southern sides of the trunk. These are growing around the basal flare of the trunk and around the root plate close to the tree. It is thought that these are Meripilus as root rotting fungi.

At approximately 4 metres from ground level there is a large bracket fungi growing on the trunk approximately 1 metre above the first major bifurcation. Due to the position of the fungi it is not possible to take a close enough look to clearly identify it. However from its shape and form it is felt that this is a Ganoderma fungi and in probability adspersum or applanatum. Both of these are heart rotting fungi causing a delignification in the wood and undermining the strength in the trunk as the decay progresses.

Meripilus
From inspection of the tree it is likely the die back in the upper crown is being caused by the rotting of the roots caused by the Meripilus seen in the base of the trunk. It is usual as a trees roots die back or shut down a the crown will start to thin out or proportions of the trunk will shut down similarly to that seen. As the decay progresses the structural strength of the shear and tension roots holding the tree is place will become undermined and make the tree unsafe and possibly collapse in the right weather conditions. Without further inspection of the trees roots i.e. excavating to assess their viability it is not certain the extent of the decay. However it is possible to say the fungi is established due to the level of die back.

Ganoderma.
The extent of the decay caused by the Ganoderma is unknown. Due to its location it has not been possible to perform even the simple inspection procedures such as sounding with a soft hammer. However given the size of the bracket it is possible to say the fungi has been in the tree for several years. It is advised that the potential decay in the trunk is investigated using a micro drill resistograph. This will show the extent of the decay and whether the trunk at the present time is structurally viable.

Horse chestnut species:
Whilst horse chestnuts can live for many years it is known that their resistance to decay and fungal infestation is poor. This is due to its limited ability to compartmentalise preventing the ingress of a decay pathogen. For this reason we should have a greater level of concern regarding the presence of the both species of fungi as the rate of decay could be much faster than if on a beech, oak or plane tree.

**Advised action:**

It is now necessary to make the tree safe by reducing the top of the tree removing the dead area. This could and will leave other areas of the tree exposed and as such it is suggested that the whole crown is reduced by one third to make safer.

The fungal bodies should be investigated with micro drill and possibly root excavation if practical.

It may be considered that given the tree will decline and we are aware of two fungal bodies causing decay the tree should be removed as the cost implications of further investigations will have to continue over the coming years will be high. As such removal it may be thought to be acceptable in this case as its loss in the near future is inevitable.

**Risk**

Based on the information from these further investigations we should be able to determine the extent of the decay and safety of the tree at the present time. However we should expect that the safety of the tree will now decline and not improve, but it is not possible to say the rate of this decline as yet or where along this line we are at present. Based the location of the tree and the damage it could cause it is reasonable to say that the given the presence of the two fungi, size of the area of potential failure the risk imposed by the tree at the moment is at least medium if not reaching high, but this can't be certain without further investigation.

Hope this is of help. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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**From:** Critchlow, Stephen  
**Sent:** 18 September 2018 08:56  
**To:** Willis, Jerry  
**Cc:** Matthews, Lee; Gajic, Gina  
**Subject:** RE: Tree issue

Hi Jerry

Thank you for info. I think that I will await to see if Ryde Town Council have any luck with repositioning the camera before I do anything to the tree.

On another issue Lee has asked me to ask you if you have completed the 2 reports from our visit to Los Altos Park. 1 for the section behind 69 Fairfield Gardens as the lady is concerned as to the safety of the trees (she says that they are very tall) and 1 for the whole length adjacent to the railway line.

Many thanks

Steve

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**From:** Willis, Jerry  
**Sent:** 17 September 2018 11:24  
**To:** Critchlow, Stephen  
**Subject:** RE: Tree issue

Hi Steve,