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Dear Toby

21/02324/TPO

(T1) Oak - prune back branches by up to 3m on south east side of crown facing the house, to leave a branch spread of 4m. (TPO 65 of 2005).

116 Chobham Road Sunningdale Ascot SL5 0HX

There appears to be some discrepancies in the application.

Whilst the title of the application states '*prune back branches by up to 3m....*' section 5 on the Application form for TPO works states: '*t1- cut back large oak tree 3m away from the property, the tree is growing very close and over the property*'

As can be seen below from the recently taken photograph of T1, cutting back the oak tree so that it is 3 metres from the property would result in removing substantially more than 3 metres of the tree.

Section 6 of the TPO application form states that the applicant is also the owner of the tree. However, the application form also states that the agent and the applicant are the same person.

As the agent's address is listed as a different location than 116 Chobham Road, the Parish Council are unsure how the applicant (living at a different address) can be the owner of the tree.

This is relevant because the tree is located on the other side of a public access road to 116 Chobham Road.

The tree is sited on the verge of an adjoining property. Hence, it would be helpful to have documented evidence that the owner of 116 Chobham Road is also the owner of the land and the verge where the tree is located on the other side of the public access road - as has been claimed - or is the tree under different ownership?



The Parish Council request that the Tree Team ascertain whether the proposed one-sided reduction of the oak tree is acceptable. There is no arboricultural support accompanying the application such as the age, height or condition of the tree.

A visit from the RBWM tree team would be encouraged especially as the tree is located in public view and can clearly be seen from the adjacent Chobham Road.

It is noted that the earlier application approved in 1991 on this site for a first-floor side extension has extended the house towards the tree thus exacerbating any tree overhang issues. It should also be noted that the satellite view of the oak tree submitted with the application was of limited use when examining the proposed tree works.

From the above observations there would appear to be some significant discrepancies with this application that require clarification from the RBWM Tree Team.

With the information provided to date the Parish Council request that this application is **REFUSED**.

Yours sincerely

Yvonne Jacklin and Michael Burn
Co-Chairs of the Planning Committee