

**211915 – Holm Oak St Martins Precinct**

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Application Number: 211915

Name: CADRA Chair

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Comment:

We note the proposal is to raise the crown by 3m-6M above the paving and to reduce the tree to achieve 2M clearance of the roof. While we have no objection to modest pruning, we believe this is excessive. The tree provides important shade in the square. The projection of the green tree canopy into Church Street and it's visibility from up and down the street makes the tree an important landmark, providing important greening for Caversham. As officers and Councillors will know, this ancient tree is held in great affection by the community. We ask that crown lift should achieve no more that 2.5M from the paving and that cut back achieves only a minor separation from the roof of around 0.5 M.