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Your contact is: Sarah Hanson, Planning, Development & Regulatory Services

Dear Mr Smith

RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO ONE CONIFER AT 83 THE MOUNT, READING - SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.

Thank you for Tree Works Notice of 22 March 2023, relating to the above.

I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

- Conifer in front garden - reduce height by 50%

Officer comments: the proposed work goes against good arboricultural practice and will be detrimental to the appearance of the tree. However, it is not a tree worthy of a TPO and its removal will benefit the adjacent mature TPO Cedar tree, hence we have no formal objection.

This decision is valid for two years from the date of this letter, after which it lapses.

As the 6-week notice period has now passed, as of 5 May 2023, the works can go ahead whenever they can be arranged. Please, however, note the Informative below.

The proposed works to the TPO Cedar tree are being dealt with under application 230379/TPO and I will provide a separate response for that in due course.

Informatives

1. Disturbance of wildlife: It is an offence under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) to disturb roosting bats or nesting birds. It is advisable to consult your tree surgeon/consultant to agree an acceptable time for carrying out any work. Wildlife and habitat controls are administered by Natural England who can be contacted on 0300 060 3900; enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above number.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Hanson

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