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

Dear Mr White

RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES AT 42 NEW ROAD, READING - SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.

Thank you for Tree Works Notice of 27 May 2023, relating to the above.

Further to my visit of 26 June 2023, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work, with reference to the annotated photographs and location plan provided:

- T2 (Beech): Trim and tidy Beech in front garden to maintain size
- T5 (Cherry) at No. 44: Crown reduction to side of cherry tree overhanging rear garden, cutting to most suitable pruning points near the boundary
- T6 (Yew): Top Yew tree in rear garden at waist height, leaving cylindrical shape as per photo
- T7 (Birch): Reduce significantly extended limbs on Birch tree in rear garden, removing approximately 1-2m on over-extended limbs
- T8 (Sycamore) at No. 44: Crown raise overhanging Sycamore to approximately 6m above ground level and reduce upper crown by 1-2m to lessen overhang and shape back into the remaining crown

Your also advised of the following works, which are outside the requirement to give notice:

- T1 (shrub): Reshape & trim shrub next to gate in front garden as per photo
- T3 (pyracantha): Trim and tidy pyracantha in front garden to maintain size
- T4: Trim ivy on wall down to height of boundary wall
- T9 (leylandii hedge): Trim leylandii hedge in rear garden

For information, the Cherry tree is included in a separate Tree Works Notice (230865) for 44 New Road which advises of the intention to relocate the Cherry to another location in their garden, i.e. taking it away from the boundary with No. 42. However, the timing of this is not yet confirmed, hence implementing that agreed above seems reasonable in the meantime.

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

No works should be carried out within 6 weeks of the date of your notice, i.e. before 8 July 2023.

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

2. It is advisable for tree surgery to be in accordance with BS 3998: (2010) Tree Work - Recommendations.

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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Natural Environment Officer

C.c. Ms Nicols, 42 New Road (via email)