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Your contact is:

Andrei Nazare, Planning

Dear Ms Schönhagen,

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO ONE MAPLE TREE AT 23 WAYLEN STREET, READING -
SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your notification of 9th February 2022, regarding the above.

Further to my 16th March 2022 e-mail exchange with Mr Damian Beeks and the annotated photographs he provided, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

- Maple tree - remove dead wood and damaged limbs; selective tip reduction as indicated on the annotated photographs

Mr Beeks stated that the tree is in an overall poor condition, has several broken or torn limbs and some dead wood present in the middle section of the crown. The proposed tree works are aimed to tidy up and rebalance the shape of the crown and are, as such, agreeable.

I note we received the tree works specifications from Mr Beeks only on 16th March 2022, as such we weren't able to register the notification prior to that date and, subsequently, our response time was also delayed. However, you first e-mailed us about your intention to carry out (some) works to this tree on 9th February 2022 and I will take this as the date of your notification - as such you benefit from the extent of time since 9th February as part of the 6 week notice.

Therefore, the agreed works can be carried out right away as the 6 week notice period lapsed on 23rd March 2022

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

Informatives

1. Removal of dead or dangerous wood: This does not require the formal consent of the Council. However written notice must be given 5 working days in advance of removing dead wood. Where a branch is deemed to be 'dangerous', i.e. where works are 'urgently necessary to remove an immediate risk of serious harm', you are required to give notice to the Council 'as soon as practicable after the works become necessary'.

2. 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,

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