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Andrei Nazare, Planning

Dear Mr. Baderin,

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO ONE EUCALYPTUS TREE AT 72 HAMILTON ROAD, READING - SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your notification of 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022, regarding the above.

Further to your notification and e-mails of 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2022, with the included photographs, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

- 1x Eucalyptus tree - 50% crown reduction

Your e-mail of 10<sup>th</sup> March confirmed that this is the second time you have pruned this tree to reduce it to a more manageable size - albeit we are still unable to find previous Section 211 / 6 week notices on our records. I note the previous reduction points are not visible on the provided photographs, but if the tree was reduced before to the same extent, effectively making it a pollard, it is good management practice to continue to re-pollard it every 3 years, to the same points, to manage the weight of the crown.

However, I advise you to consider the opinion of a tree consultant before carrying out such heavy reduction, as it goes against good arboricultural practice, particularly if the proposed 50% reduction is past those previous reduction points.

At the time of our e-mail exchange, you had not contracted a tree surgeon yet, as such I am confident that once you find one, you will ask his opinion on the extent of the proposed works.

The proposed tree works above are the maximum extent agreed to, but your tree surgeon

may consider that lesser works are equally benefiting the tree and satisfying your request to reduce the tree. Any lesser works can be carried out under this Notice.

The agreed works should not be carried out before six weeks from the date of your notification, i.e. before 18<sup>th</sup> April 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](mailto: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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