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Your contact is:

Sarah Duckworth, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mr Vaughan,

**SECTION 211 NOTIFICATION OF WORKS TO TREES AT 7 SURLEY ROW, EMMER GREEN,
READING - AND WITHIN THE SURLEY ROW CONSERVATION AREA.**

Further to my site visit of 19th February 2020, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

- Honey Locust - Low amenity tree - fell to ground level
- Western Red Cedar - Top dying back - Fell to ground level
- Small ornamental tree to front - Low amenity tree - fell to ground level

In addition, you may remove the dead Spruce tree to the front of the property as the tree is dead (please refer to Informative 2).

Informatives

1. You are advised that this decision is valid for two years from the date of this letter, after which it lapses and a new notification will be required.

2. Please be aware that when a tree in a Conservation area is removed because it is dead or presents an immediate risk of serious harm, the landowner has a duty to plant another tree of an appropriate size and species at the same place as soon as he or she reasonably can. This duty attaches to subsequent owners of the land.

One replacement tree for the dead Fir should be planted within the front garden during the planting season (Nov-March) following or at the time of the felling of the tree, whichever is soonest.

Should the replacement tree be removed, die or become severely damaged or seriously diseased, all within 5 years of planting, it shall be replaced by a tree of a similar size and species to that which was originally planted. Modifications to the requirements of this condition must be agreed in writing with Reading Borough Council Natural Environment Team.

PLEASE NOTE: The requirement to replant is the responsibility of the tree owner even if the application was submitted by another person.

In addition, although not a legal requirement, the Borough Council would also encourage you to undertake planting to replace the three other trees felled in order to maintain canopy coverage and the character of the wider Conservation Area.

3. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SD' with a stylized flourish underneath.

Sarah Duckworth
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cc. Mr. David de Mesquita, 7 Surley Row, Emmer Green RG4 8ND