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Your contact is:

Andrei Nazare, Planning

Dear Mr & Mrs Richardson,

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO 3 LAWSON CYPRESS TREES AT 98 KENDRICK ROAD, READING -
SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your tree works notification of 10th November 2020, via your son, regarding the above.

With reference to the photographs received on 19 November 2020, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

1. 3x Lawson Cypress trees
 - a. Fell to ground level

Unfortunately, these 3 Lawson Cypress trees are too close to the brick wall to be suitable for retention, therefore felling is agreed. Felling 3 trees reduces canopy cover in the area in the context of Reading Borough Council having declared a climate emergency and our 2020 Tree Strategy having set objectives to increase canopy cover, to an average of 25% by 2030. In order to meet these objectives, we hope that you will consider replacement planting to compensate the loss of green cover. We encourage choosing species of an ultimately similar stature to the felled trees in order to replace the lost amenity.

The agreed works should not be carried out before six weeks from the date of your notification, i.e. before 22nd December 2020.

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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