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Your contact is:

Andrei Nazare, Planning

Dear Mrs. Gilmartin and Mrs. Breen

RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO 1 CONIFER, 1 CHERRY AND 1 HAZEL TREES AT 86 CRESCENT ROAD, READING - SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.

Thank you for your tree works notice of 10th November 2020 regarding the above.

Further to your e-mail communication with my colleague Sarah Hanson, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work, as agreed on e-mails exchanged on 10th and 11th November:

- 30% height reduction for each of the following trees in the rear garden:
 1. Conifer tree
 2. Cherry tree
 3. Hazel tree

Noteworthy mention regarding the cherry tree: from the photos provided it seems to be a pollarded tree. It would harm the tree's health and growth ability to reduce the height below the former pollarding point. I advise you take this into consideration when commissioning works for this tree.

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

3. It is best to avoid works in the period immediately before or during bud burst and leaf fall to minimise the effect on the long-term health of the tree.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above number.

Yours sincerely

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