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Sarah Duckworth, Planning and Building Control

Dear Ms Caulton,

**SECTION 211 NOTIFICATION OF WORKS TO AN ASH AT 30 ELDON ROAD, READING -
SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your email dated 30th January 2020 regarding the proposed removal of an Ash tree within your garden at 30 Eldon Road.

Having viewed the photographs of the tree, I consider it to be a small tree of no notable amenity value. The tree is growing close to a brick boundary wall and has the risk of causing damage to the wall in time as it reaches maturity. In view of this the tree does not meet the criteria for inclusion in a Tree Preservation Order at this time.

I can therefore confirm that the Council raises no objections to the proposed removal of this tree and that you may now proceed within this work.

The Council's adopted Tree Strategy aims to increase canopy cover in the Borough hence replacing trees that are lost is part of this. You may be aware that the Council declared a Climate Emergency last year; tree planting being one action we can take to help mitigate the impacts of climate change. I hope therefore that you will consider planting a new tree in a more appropriate location following the felling of the Ash tree.

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. 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
Assistant Natural Environment Officer