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Sarah Hanson, Planning & Building Control

Dear Ms Hughes

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO LAUREL AND ONE CYPRESS AT 2 CHURCH STREET, READING -
SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your initial email of 13 November and subsequent emails of 15 November 2019 clarifying the vegetation in question, including photographs.

I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work with reference to the attached photographs:

- Laurel overhanging Crossland Road (pavement) – prune back to boundary
- Laurel in west corner overhanging neighbouring property – prune back to boundary
- Conifer adjacent to the building – fell. The tree has limited amenity value and is growing in an inappropriate location to allow it to mature without causing conflict, hence it is not worthy of a TPO.

The works should not be carried out before six weeks from the date of your notification, i.e. before 25 December 2019. Works to provide highways clearance of 2.75m above the pavement does not need to wait for this 6-weeks period.

This decision is valid for two years from the date of this letter, after which it lapses.

Informatives

1. 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

Sarah Hanson

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