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Sarah Duckworth, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mrs. Ring,

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO A CEDAR ON LAND AT 50 SHEPHERDS LANE, PROTECTED AS T1 OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER 128/05.**

Thank you for your application dated 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019, regarding the above.

I am writing to confirm that the following proposed works, as detailed in your application, are approved subject to the conditions below:

Approved works

- T1 Cedar - Fell to ground level

This tree has shed significant branches in recent high winds. The remaining, asymmetrical canopy has been undermined by the loss of these branches and further branch or stem failure is foreseeable.

Conditions

1. All tree surgery shall be in accordance with BS 3998: (2010) Tree Work - Recommendations.

Reason: To ensure that all works are carried out in an acceptable arboricultural manner

2. Following the felling of the tree (s) authorised by this consent, 1x replacement tree a minimum of 8-10 girth (standard broadleaf) or 1.0m high (for Pine or Cedar) shall 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.

The replacement tree species should be agreed in writing (prior to planting) with the Borough Council. The Borough would expect the new tree to be of a species which will

reach a reasonable size on maturity, similar to the Cedar which it replaces.

Planting should be carried out in accordance with clause 10 (Planting) of BS 8545:2014 'Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape - Recommendations'

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 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.

Reason: To retain the present visual amenity value of the area and ensure continuity of tree coverage.

### 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 030 6000

If you wish to appeal against any of the conditions attached to this consent, please contact the Planning Inspectorate within 28 days of receipt of this letter to obtain the relevant forms:

The Environment Appeals Team, The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3/25, Hawk Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN

Email: [environment.appeals@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:environment.appeals@pins.gsi.gov.uk)

Tel: 0117 372 8192

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

Yours sincerely,

*Sarah Duckworth*

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