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Your contact is:

Sarah Hanson, Planning & Building Control

Dear Ms Murray

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES AT 21 ELDON SQUARE, READING - SUBJECT TO
CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your initial email of 28 June 2019 and subsequent email of 3 July 2019 clarifying the proposed works.

Further to my site visit, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work with reference to the specification and photographs within your email of 3 July:

- Front garden, tree on boundary with No. 23 – reduce as necessary due to proximity to buildings and low branches
- Front Garden, conifer on the boundary with No. 19 – prune overhanging branches back to the boundary
- Ash tree in rear garden – fell. This tree is not worthy of a TPO due to its location and limited amenity value.

The works should not be carried out before six weeks from the date of your notification, i.e. before 9 August 2019.

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. Tree work consents on land not owned by the applicant: It is strongly recommended that the owner of the tree be advised of any proposed works. The owner's permission must be sought if the tree works involve work past the boundary line. This letter does not in any way imply that this Council has informed the owner or sought permission or will condone the use of consents to force any landowner to grant such permission.

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

Yours sincerely

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