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Your contact is:

Sarah Hanson, Planning & Building Control

Dear Mr Butler

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO ONE COPPER BEECH TREE AT 88 CRESCENT ROAD, READING -
SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.**

Thank you for your Notification of 2 May 2019 regarding the above.

Further to my site visit of 15 May 2019, I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work as detailed in your submissions:

- Reduce lateral spread to achieve 2.5m clearance from the building lines of 88 & 90 Crescent Road and to clear the telephone lines; sympathetically reduce the remainder of the lower canopy lateral spread to retain shape and character; remove dead and defective branches. (Height and upper canopy spread to remain unaltered).

The works should not be carried out before six weeks from the date of your notification, i.e. before 11 June 2019.

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

Please ensure your client receives a copy of this letter.

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

Sarah Hanson

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