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Sarah Hanson, Planning & Building Control

Dear Mr. Smith,

SECTION 211 NOTIFICATION OF WORKS TO TREES AT 23 SURLEY ROAD AND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SURLEY CONSERVATION AREA.

I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

- T5 – Silver Birch – Crown raise to give 2.7m clearance over the footpath and 5.5m clearance over the highway.
- T6 – Flowering Cherry – Crown raise to give 2.7m clearance over the footpath and 5.5m clearance over the highway.
- T7 – Holly – Reduce by 2m and shape (see Informative 4.)
- T8 – Norway Maple – Fell to ground level
- T9 – Conifer hedge – Reduce to previous reduction points and trim sides.
- T10 – Cherry – Reduce crown by up to 2m
- T11 – Hedge – to be trimmed
- T23 – Magnolia – Reduce in size by 1-2m to leave a natural looking canopy outline

Informatives

1. You are advised that this decision is valid for one pruning operation to be undertaken within two years from the date of this letter, after which it lapses and a new notification will be required.

2. Removal of dead or dangerous wood: This does not require the formal consent of the Council. 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 030 6000

4. T7 Holly has been topped in the past and grown on well. In the interests of the tree's health it would be advisable to ensure the 2m reduction in height as per your tree works specification, does not cut back beyond the previous topping point at the top of the main stem as this can encourage the spread of decay.

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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