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Your contact is:

Sarah Duckworth, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mr. Tomasso

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES ON LAND AT 54 MEAD CLOSE, CAVERSHAM, READING -
SUBJECT TO TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER 14/004.**

Thank you for your application dated 8th October 2018, regarding the above.

I can confirm that the following proposed works, as detailed in your application and amended in your email correspondence dated: 19th November 2018, are approved subject to the conditions below:

Approved tree works

- T1 Horse Chestnut (T3 of TPO 14/004)- crown lift secondary / tertiary branches only to give 5m clearance over the garden and to give 6m clearance over the adopted highway.
- T2 Ash - Crown lift canopy over highway to give 6m clearance not removing any major limbs. Reduce secondary branches only by 2m to gain 4m clearance to adjacent dwelling.
- T3 Ash (T1 of TPO 14/004) - Crown lift to gain a 4m clearance from property by removing minor limbs and shortening secondary limbs by 2 metres.

Conditions

1. Five days' notice in writing shall be given to the Council prior to undertaking the approved works.

Reason: To ensure that the Local Planning Authority is given sufficient notice of the works to enable the effective monitoring of tree work within the Borough.

2. 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

3. Climbing spikes shall not be used whilst undertaking any form of works on living trees, except on trees to be felled.

Reason: Spikes can cause extensive long-term damage

Informatives

1. You are advised that this decision is valid for two years from the date of this notice after which the consent lapses and a new application 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'.

3. 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. 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

5. 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 consent does not in any way imply that this Council has informed the owner of sought permission or will condone the use of consents to force any landowner to grant such permission.

6. Trees not considered to be protected by the current Tree preservation order: Work can be carried out to T4 - Ash without the formal consent from this Council.

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

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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