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Your contact  
is: Sarah Hanson, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mr Dixon

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES AT CAVERSHAM LAWN TENNIS CLUB,  
QUEENSBOROUGH DRIVE, READING - SUBJECT TO TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER  
76/09.**

Thank you for your application, received on 9 July 2018, regarding the above.

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

- G1 Western red cedar – reduce height to that approved in 2015 – application reference 151266/TPO, dated 20 July 2015
- T9 Western red cedar – reduce height to the same as G1, as was approved in application 180085/TPO dated 16 January 2018.
- G1 & T9 Western red cedars – reduce branches overhanging courts back to the fence line at a maximum, a lesser reduction being carried out where necessary to retain green growth.
- Removal of one branch hanging low over the fence of 19 and across 21 Fernbrook Road (ref to the photo attached to Mr Maunders' email of 23/7/18)

In relation to the branches overhanging 19 Fernbrook Road, the reduction of two branches by a half and the reduction of a further 8 branches were approved under reference 180969/TPO. I understand that the two branches subsequently collapsed and are to be

cleared away by your contractor this week.

### 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. This decision, allowing the specified pruning on one occasion only, is valid for two years from the date of this notice after which the consent lapses

4. 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. 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](mailto: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 consent 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 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 Hanson*

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C.c. Mr T Maunder, 19 Fernbrook Road (via email)