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Your contact is: Mark Harrison, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mr Gray

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO 10 (TEN) LIME TREES AT, WARDLE AVENUE, READING - TREES 18 - 22 AND 31 - 35 OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER 102/07.**

Thank you for your application of 10 January 2018 regarding the above.

Further to my visit and our subsequent telephone conversation on 24 January 2018, I can confirm that the following proposed works, are approved subject to the conditions below:

Prune canopy growth of trees 18 - 22 and 31 - 35 back to existing pollard points every three years for three occasions i.e. once per year in 2018, 2021 and 2024 after which time a new application will be required.

Remove the epicormic growth back to the union with the stem annually for the same period.

#### Conditions

1. Five days notice in writing shall be given to the Council prior to undertaking the approved works on each occasion.  
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 is valid for six 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

5. The works hereby approved shall only be carried out in December to January or late July to August.

Reason: To avoid harm to the future health of the tree.

### Informatives

1. 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

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

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