



Mr C Evans
1 Twin Oaks
Emmer Green
Reading
RG4 8SW

Giorgio Framallicco
**Head of Planning,
Development and Regulatory
Services**

Civic Offices, Reading, RG1 2LU
☎ 0118 937 3787

Our Ref: 170788/TPO
Your Ref:

Direct: ☎01189 372440
Email: sarah.hanson@reading.gov.uk

15 June 2017

Your contact
is: Sarah Hanson, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mr Evans

**RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO ONE OAK TREE AT 1 TWIN OAKS, READING - SUBJECT TO
TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER 44/003.**

Thank you for your application of 17 May 2017 seeking approval to reduce the crown to previously agreed points.

Further to my visit on 9 June 2017, I can confirm that the following proposed works, as detailed in your application, are approved subject to the conditions below:

- T1 Oak – crown reduce back to previous reduction points. The work should include the removal of growth from previous reduction points only; the remaining growth on branches and within the crown should remain in order to retain some live growth to help the tree recover from the pruning. Please note condition 5 below in relation to timing.

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 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

5. The works hereby approved shall only be carried out late summer (late July-August) or December-January.

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

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

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 Hanson
Natural Environment Officer