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Kate McHale, Planning and Building Control

Dear Mr Telepneff

RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO LIME TREES AT 29 WARDLE AVENUE, READING - T1-T10 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER 109/05.

Thank you for your application of 12 October 2015, regarding the above.

Further to my visit on 26 October 2015, I can confirm that the following proposed works, as detailed in your application and added to during my visit, are approved subject to the conditions below:

- Re-pollard 8 Lime trees (T2255 to T2265, excluding T2256 (T9), T2264 (T2) & T2265 (T1)) at previous pollard points every 5 years. Remove epicormic growth from these trees every 1 year.
- Fell 3 Lime trees (T2256 (T9), T2264 (T2) & T2265 (T1)) due to their poor form.

Replacement trees are not required in this instance given the number of remaining trees.

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

- 4) This decision is valid for sixteen years from the date of this notice after which the consent lapses
- 5) The works hereby approved shall be carried out between late July-August or December-January unless otherwise agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

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 030 6000
- 3) Crown lifting of trees over the footpath and carriageway: If the clearance of vegetation overhanging the highway only involves the removal of branches to give a ground clearance to the statutory heights of 2.7m over the footpath and 5.5m over the road, this does not require formal consent from the Council. You are advised, however, to give notice to the Council of these intended works in order that they can be agreed.

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

Kate McHale

On behalf of Sarah Hanson, Natural Environment Officer