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Sarah Hanson: Planning, Transport & Public Protection

Dear Mr Archer

RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO SYCAMORE TREES AT EMMBROOK COURT, READING - PART OF W1 OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NUMBER 193/07.

I am writing further to my letter of 9 May 2025 and to our site meeting of 17 November 2025 with Martin Smith of Arborfield Tree Care.

The purpose of the visit was to address Condition 4 of tree works approval PL/25/0044 which required details of works to G430 Sycamore to be agreed; the principles of pruning having been included in the consent of 9 May.

I can confirm that the following proposed works, as agreed on site, are approved subject to the additional condition below - all other conditions attached to consent PL/25/0044 continue to apply - and with reference to the attached photographs:

- Sycamores on the boundary with Woolacombe Drive (G430 of Tree Survey; part of W1 of TPO) - Coppice large, central, multi-stem Sycamore; reduce all other sycamore in height to previous reduction points; crown lift all branches overhanging the gardens in Woolacombe Drive to 4-5m above ground level, pruning back to appropriate growing points; fell all other species within the group's defined area (Note: this consists of conifers and Laurel).

The combination of works, particularly the removal of all evergreen, lower-level vegetation should improve the light into the neighbour garden (mainly No. 3) and hopefully alleviate concerns.

Conditions

1. The approved canopy reduction shall be undertaken in mid-late Summer (July - September) when the tree's energy reserves are at their height or during the Winter months of December - January during the period of dormancy.

Reason: Taking into account the tree's phenological cycle and in order to avoid any unnecessary detriment to the tree as a result of the pruning work.

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:

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If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above number.

Yours sincerely

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C.c. Martin Smith, Arborfield Tree Care