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Dear Miss Woodgate

RE: PROPOSED WORKS TO 1NO. PURPLE LEAVED PLUM/BLACK CHERRY PLUM AT 76 HAMILTON ROAD, READING - SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AREA STATUS.

Thank you for Tree Works Notice of 25th May 2026, relating to the above.

You provided a photograph of the tree in question via email of 26th May 2026. From the photograph, the tree is of poor form, having a co-dominant, tight 'V' shaped union at the crown break. There also appears to be some damage/discolouration of the bark on the main stem. The tree has limited amenity value, being small in size and located in the rear garden hence not visible to the public. Therefore, the Council cannot object to the works as the tree is not worthy of a Tree Preservation Order.

I can confirm that the Council have no objections to the following proposed tree work:

- 1no. Purple Leaved Plum/Black Cherry Plum in rear garden (close to boundary with No. 78): fell to ground level.

This decision is valid for two years from the date of this letter, after which it lapses.

The works can now be carried out.

Trees contribute to the nature/character of Conservation Areas and as such are target areas for tree replanting in our adopted Tree Strategy. Therefore, replanting is always encouraged when removing trees in Conservation Areas, and we hope this is something you will consider.

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 060 3900; enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk

2. Removal of dead or dangerous wood: This does not require the formal consent of the Council. However you are encouraged to give 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', please give notice to the Council 'as soon as practicable after the works become necessary'.

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

Yours sincerely

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