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Sent: 11 August 2026 14:48:01 UTC+01:00
To: "'Matt Wharton'" <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Cc: "Colette Yan" <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Matt,
Thanks for your message, which can serve as confirmation from you to extend the date of determination until Monday 17 August 2026.
Thank you and kind regards,
Lindsey

From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Sent: 11 August 2026 14:45
To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Lindsey
Apologies for missing your call earlier, I was in a meeting.

Thank you for your email. I have forwarded your questions to the school's tree consultant and am awaiting his response. Hopefully, he will be able to get back to us by close of business on Thursday

Thank you for your assistance, and I will come back to you as soon as I hear from the consultant.

Kind regards,

Matt Whart



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To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
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Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Matt,

I've left a message for you with the school's reception as I thought it may be faster to speak about this matter.

I can extend the determination date via a separate email giving me permission but I have a few questions:

1. Do you think your tree consultant could have a response back to me by close-of-business this Thursday 13 Aug? I can then write up the section 211 notification letter on Friday 14 Aug and submit it via our system to be mailed on Monday 17 Aug.
2. If your tree consultant can't get return a response back by Thursday, then I will extend the deadline to Thurs 27 Aug, as I am going away on vacation all of next week. I wasn't sure if you wanted to have these works completed before the students returned for the autumn term.
3. I will need consent from you and the agent (your tree consultant) giving consent to extend the determination date. I am confirming your agent as Nathan Cantell (kim@beechwoodtreecare.co.uk)

I'll wait for your response or a call - 0771 0234 997.

Thank you and kind regards,

Lindsey

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From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>

Sent: 11 August 2026 10:05

To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>

Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Lindsey

Sorry, I think there's a lot more information you require. I would need to pass this on to our tree consultant for answers on this.

Could I ask him to look over it this week ?

Many thanks

Matt



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From: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>

Sent: Friday, August 7, 2026 10:12 PM

To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>

Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Matt,

Please find document attached with work specification amendment requests or requests for tree identification where untagged (**red notes**) and corresponding photos for eight (8) trees. I cross-referenced our observations with the survey you sent. Let me know what you think, if you agree or would like to make edits to the amendments, then I will revise the specifications in my notification response and upload it to our system so it can be mailed out to you.

Thank you,

Lindsey Abbott, WBC

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From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Sent: 07 August 2026 10:54
To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Thanks Lindsey

I'm away from midday today and Monday.

I am back in on Tuesday. Could I possibly do this first thing on Tuesday and get back to you asap ?

Many thanks

Matt



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From: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, August 7, 2026 10:08 AM
To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Dear Matt,

Thank you very much for meeting me and Colette yesterday at the start of the Site visit. Thank you, too, for sending over the 2026 tree survey. There were a few trees we had identification questions about and one or two where we'd like to send you a slightly revised work specification. It will take me some time to download and organise my photos and notes, but I hope to share this information with you early next week to get your feedback/approval before I head off on holiday (17-21 Aug). I'm hoping to submit it before I go, so you can organise for the works to be undertaken before school starts again.

Kind regards,

Lindsey

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From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Sent: 06 August 2026 11:43
To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Lindsey

Please find the attached 2026 tree survey.

Many thanks

Matt



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From: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>

Sent: Monday, August 3, 2026 10:40 AM

To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>

Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Matt,

Great -- see you then!

Thank you,

Lindsey

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From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>

Sent: 28 July 2026 08:07

To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Thanks Lindsey

10 am works well

See you then

Matt



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From: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, July 17, 2026 3:54 PM
To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Matt,

I have confirmed 6th August with my colleague, Colette. Would 10:00am work to meet?

Thank you,

Lindsey

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From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Sent: 14 July 2026 10:56
To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Thanks Lindsey

Yes, the 6th of August works well

On arrival if you make your way to reception and get signed in, I will meet you there.

Many thanks

Matt



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From: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>

Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 10:46 AM

To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbc.org.uk>

Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hi Matt,

I'm away the last week of July on holiday. Would a morning 6 or 7 August work for your schedule? They appear free in my colleague Colette's schedule at the moment.

Thank you,

Lindsey

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From: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>

Sent: 14 July 2026 10:40

To: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>

Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

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Hi Lindsey

Sorry, catching up on emails.

I'm away next week and I would need to be onsite to manage this.

I return on the 27th of July. Would it be possible to schedule a visit that week ?

Many thanks

Matt



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From: Lindsey Abbott <Lindsey.Abbott@wokingham.gov.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 10:19 AM
To: Matt Wharton <MXW@rbcs.org.uk>
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Hello Matt,

I am following up to see if you had seen my message below and if a site visit on 21/7 in the morning might be possible as I'd like to organise other site visits for the same day. Can you please confirm when you have a moment?

Thank you,

Lindsey Abbott, WBC

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From: Lindsey Abbott
Sent: 10 July 2026 10:25
To: MXW@rbcs.org.uk
Cc: Colette Yan <Colette.Yan@wokingham.gov.uk>
Subject: Site visit on morning of 21 July - TCA application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU

Dear Matt,

I have been asked to respond to your Trees in Conservation Area application 261535 - Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU. As there are 28 trees to review for proposed tree works, I was hoping to attend the school campus with my Tree Team colleague, Dr. Colette Yan on Tues 21 July in the morning (10am-12noon). Will the school campus be open for us to review the trees then? Do we need to be accompanied? I am not DBS-checked, but I assume school is out for school break.

Thank you and kind regards,

Lindsey

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