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Date: 11 November 2025
My ref: CY/CA/252299

WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Dear Ms Bradshaw,

SECTION 211 NOTIFICATION OF WORK TO TREES WITHIN THE REMENHAM HENLEY BRIDGE CONSERVATION AREA
APPLICATION NUMBER: 252299
LOCATION: BIRD PLACE, HENLEY BRIDGE, HENLEY ON THAMES, WOKINGHAM, BERKS, RG9 2LN

With reference to your notification which was received and validated on the 25 September 2025, I am writing to advise you that Wokingham Borough Council raises **no objections** to the proposed tree works being undertaken as specified within the Remenham Henley Bridge Conservation Area.

Proposed works:

T32, T34, T35, T36, T36a, T37 & T38, 7 x Hornbeam

- Fell

T33, Sycamore

- Fell

Reasons stated for works:
"Structural condition of trees, reducing the likelihood of tree failure and due to a long term tree management strategy of the site."

Officer comments:
The proposed tree removals are considered reasonable given the condition of the trees. Provided that the trees will be replaced, serving of a TPO to prevent or moderate the proposed works is considered unnecessary and inappropriate on this occasion. The Wokingham Borough Council raises no objections to the proposed works.

Informatives:

1) You are advised that, in accordance with Part 4, 17 (4) of The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012, this decision is valid for **one pruning operation** (as per the approved specifications) to be undertaken **within two years** from the date of this notice, after which date the consent lapses and a new Section 211 Notification will be required.

2) You are advised that this letter is in respect of the **Conservation Area only** and it does not imply that consent would be forthcoming from the owner of the tree(s) or any such other persons from whom consent would be required.

3) Replacement planting. A minimum of eight replacement trees to be planted within the rear garden of Bird Place, Henley on Thames, RG9 2LN. The replacement tree(s) are required to meet the following criteria:
   - Species to be confirmed by the applicant/agent and approved by Council prior to purchase and planting.
   - Of “half standard” or “standard” size (1.8 – 3 metres tall) at time of planting, in accordance with British Standard 3936: Nursery stock- Specifications for trees and shrubs.
   - Planted in accordance with British Standards BS 8545:2014 Trees - from nursery to independence in the landscape recommendations.
   - Planted in the planting season, November to March. Container-grown trees can be planted outside this time, but do not plant in periods of drought. For both types, avoid frosty soil.
   - Please let the Council know when the replanting has been carried out so that the Tree Officer may come and inspect the tree(s).

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact the Tree and Landscape Officer via development.control@wokingham.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,



Chris Hannington - Trees and Landscape Team Manager

Please note that your attention is drawn to the following information:

Bird Nesting Season and Presence of Bat Roosts

In accordance with the Wildlife and Countryside Act (1981) and Countryside Rights of Way Act (2000), consideration must be given to the timing and type of tree work operations, to avoid causing disturbance to any nesting birds or bat roosts that may be present within the tree(s).

The Act makes it an offence (subject to exceptions) to intentionally kill, injure, or take, possess, or trade in any wild animal listed, and prohibits interference with places used for shelter or protection, or intentionally disturbing animals occupying such places.

It is advised that all non-urgent major tree work and hedge cutting operations are undertaken at a time to avoid disturbing nesting birds during the breeding season (to which the bird nesting season is considered to be from March to July). Where bats are suspected to be present, it is recommended that advice first be sought from a licenced bat specialist and if appropriate, the relevant licence(s) be obtained before any major tree work or hedge cutting commences.

Further information can be found at the following:

DEFRA (Department for the Environment Food and Rural Affairs)
Tel: 08459 33 55 77 or by email at helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk
Website: www.defra.gov.uk/

Natural England
Tel: 0845 600 3078 or by email at enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk
Website: www.naturalengland.org.uk

Bat Conservation Trust
Tel: 0845 1300 228 or by email at enquiries@bats.org.uk
Website: www.bats.org.uk

Forestry Act 1967 and Felling Licences

If it proposed to fell a tree or trees greater than 5 cubic metres or sell more than 2 cubic metres of timber in any calendar quarter, a Felling Licence from the Forestry Authority may be required.

Please note that Felling Licences are not required to remove trees from domestic (residential) gardens. Where you are the landowner of large pieces of land with numerous trees, clarification from the Forestry Commission may be required as to whether a Felling licence is needed.

For more information on Felling Licences, please speak to the Woodland Officer at the Forestry Commission on 01296 696543

Further Information can be found on the Forestry Commission Website:www.forestry.gov.uk

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Please return this form to confirm that you have planted the replacement tree/s required under a tree replacement duty or planning condition.

Please post to: or email to: development.control@wokingham.gov.uk

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I (*state your name*) ……

of (*state your address*) ……..

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Location of trees (*if different from the address above*) ……

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Telephone number…….

Email address…….

Confirm that (*state number of trees planted*) …… were planted on (*state date*) …….. in accordance with either the duty to replace tree/s or a planning condition as imposed under the Town and Country Planning Act.

The tree/s planted are (*state species e.g., Oak*) ……

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Signed: …… Date: ……

If you need any help filling out this form please contact the Tree Officer on: (0118) 974 6000

Important Note:

If you do not return this form then the land charges register may not hold up to date records on the tree preservation order/s covering your property, which could cause difficulties if you come to sell your house in the future.

Any further comments:

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