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15 April 2011

Dear Mrs Lye

Fell one Ilex Acquifolium (Holly tree) and one Taxus Baccata (Yew) within the Arundel Conservation Area.

Pear Tree Cottage 5 Surrey Street Arundel

I refer to your recent notification of your intention to carry out the above mentioned works and write to inform you that, after consideration of your proposal, it has been decided not to make a Tree Preservation Order in this case. You may therefore proceed with the works outlined in your notification.

However, I should stress that this letter conveys consent under planning legislation relating to Conservation Areas only and you should ensure that such works do not contravene other legislation e.g. Protection of Wildlife etc.

It should be noted that under Part 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, with only a few exceptions, it is an offence for any person to intentionally take, damage, or destroy the nest of any wild birds while the nest is in use or being built. Birds nest between March and September so that removal of dense bushes, ivy or trees, or parts of trees etc during this period could lead to an offence under the Act.

This notice does not give authority to destroy or damage a bat roost or disturb a bat. Bat species are protected under Section 39 of the 1994 Conservation (Natural Habitats etc) Regulations (as amended), the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act (as amendd) and the 2000 Countryside and Rights of Way Act. It is illegal to damage or destroy any bat roost, whether occupied or not, or disturb or harm a bat. If you are aware that bats roost in a tree(s) for which work is planned, you should take further advice from Natural England (via the Bat Conservation Trust on 0845 1300228) or an ecological consultant before you start. If bats are discovered during the work, you must stop immediately and contact Natural England before continuing.

Yours sincerely

Karl Roberts
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Housing Strategy

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