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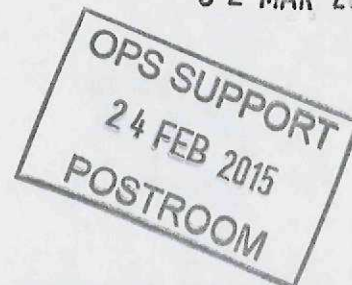
as a separate notification

for the ash tree. Thanks. Diane

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22nd February 2015

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Dear Mrs Fairchild Fenton,

Works to Trees in a Conservation Area; The Cedars, 35 High Street, Long Sutton, PE12 9DB

I write in response to your letter of 11th February 2015 (received 14th February), concerning the large ash tree on the western boundary of our garden.

I have had the tree inspected by an arboriculturalist (messrs. Arbcore) who concurs with your view that the tree is suffering an attack by a fungus of *Ganoderma* spp. and as such requires radical intervention to prevent possible collapse.

Given the size of the tree, its proximity to neighbouring premises and its exposure to prevailing winds the expert recommends it is pollarded. This will leave a stump approximately 3 m high which is unlikely to regrow and which will decay slowly in the hedgerow.

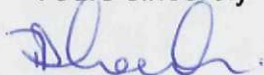
Once that tree has been reduced, then the adjacent Lime, which is the subject of a TPO will be in the face of the prevailing wind and his recommendation is that this should then have its crown reduced by up to 40% and all dead wood removed. I will submit a TPO application in due course once I have a written report to support the application.

As it is highly desirable to undertake the work to the diseased Ash before the tree comes into leaf and hence increase its wind load and may also be occupied by nesting birds, then I wonder if it would be possible to obtain clearance for this pollarding sooner than the normal 6 week approval period.

I am attaching the appropriate application forms for works in a conservation area and have taken the opportunity to notify you of further planned tree works in the garden. The recent storms have resulted in some losses and a lot of damage (particularly the wet snow in December which broke a number of tree branches). There are also a few trees I would like to fell and prune. The reference number on the form relates to the plan previously submitted with the addition of two trees 42a and 43a, which are located either side of the large conifer no 43 on the plan.

If you wish to visit to inspect the proposals please contact me.

Yours sincerely



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