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To Whom it may concern

TREES AT PLAY PARK FORGE LANE GREAT BENTLEY ESSEX

I refer to your application received on 6th January 2025 regarding work to be undertaken to trees at the above property. These trees have been inspected and the Council has no objection to the following works taking place:

Trees in a Conservation Area Notification - Black Oak, remove major deadwood (Exceeding 2-3 inches). White Poplar, Remove major deadwood. Sycamore, remove lower branch to east of carpark, crown lift to 2m.

This letter constitutes formal consent to undertake the works listed above to trees situated in the Great Bentley Conservation Area pursuant to Section 211 Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

01 COMPLIANCE REQUIRED: COMPLETION TIME LIMIT

CONDITION: The work authorised by this Decision Notice must be completed within two years of the date of this Notice. If the work is not completed within this period, for whatever reason, the authority to proceed expires.

REASON: To ensure that the permitted works are arboriculturally appropriate.

NOTE/S FOR CONDITION:

1) Please note that any approval given to by the Council does not give an exemption from the requirements to comply with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, the Conservation (Natural Habitats etc.) Regulations 1994 or any Acts offering protection to wildlife. All birds (except those listed in schedule 2 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981), their nests and eggs are protected by law. It is an offence to intentionally or recklessly kill, injure or take any wild bird, or damage, destroy or intentionally

disturb the nest of any wild bird whilst it is in use or being built. For this reason tree work should not be undertaken during the nesting season (broadly March to August) unless a survey for nesting birds confirms their absence. Should you require any further information on nesting birds, please contact Natural England on 03000 603900.

2) You are advised that trees have the potential to support roosting bats. Bats and their roosts are legally protected. It is an offence to disturb or harm a bat, or damage, destroy or obstruct any place used by bats for shelter, whether they are present or not. Trees should be inspected before any works commence and if the presence of bats is suspected works must cease and advice sought from The Bat Conservation Trust on 0845 1300228.

3) This decision is valid for two years from the date of this decision or until the work is completed, whichever is the sooner. You are advised that the appropriate standards for tree work are set out in British Standard 3998:2010. Failure to ensure the proposed works are carried out to these standards may result in damage to the tree(s) and may result in legal action by the Council.

4) The council not objecting to/approving the proposal does not give the legal right for a person to enter another person's land to prune or fell their tree(s). Permission should be sought from the tree owner before works to a tree(s) are carried out.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Pateman-Gee', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John Pateman-Gee
Head of Planning and Building Control