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My Ref: 24/00600/W5DAY  
Date: 8 March 2024

Town and Country Planning Act 1990  
Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

5 day notification of urgent work to trees

Dear Sir/Madam

Site: Bluebell Cemetery Old London Road Badgers Mount  
Proposal: Making safe/removal/clearance of 128 x Stems + 26 x Trees all dead/dying/dangerous, within the Ancient Woodland. Arisings will be stacked/chipped/left for habitat where possible.

I refer to your correspondence received on 4 March 2024 seeking our observations in respect of the above proposal. Following consideration of your notification, Sevenoaks District Council, as the District Planning Authority, pursuant to powers in the above legislation, raises no objection to the above proposal.

After reviewing the submitted location plan and stem/tree count, I have no objections with the notification for the removal/clearance/stacking of specified dead/dying/dangerous hung-up trees within Bluebell Cemetery Ancient Woodland.

This decision is subject to the informatives shown below:

- (1) Works hereby permitted should be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the current edition of British Standard 3998 by a competent person.
- (2) Please ensure that the proposed works are completed within six weeks from the date of this notification

Neighbours may abate the nuisance of overhanging branches by cutting back to, but not beyond the boundary without necessarily having the permission of the tree's owner. However, it would be polite to discuss the matter before starting work and you should offer back what you cut. If you are proposing to carry out any other work to a tree that is not on your own land, you should seek permission from the landowner before starting work.

Our interactive policies/planning constraints map is available on our website at [www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/info/20008/planning](http://www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/info/20008/planning)

**Yours sincerely**

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