



DISTRICT COUNCIL  
NORTH OXFORDSHIRE

**NOTICE OF DECISION**  
**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**  
**(AS AMENDED)**

**Name and Address of Agent/Owner :**

Mr Hopkins  
c/o Acreman's Arboriculture  
Mr Ben Acreman  
Clifton View  
Wigginton  
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OX15 4LH

**COPY**  
Cherwell District Council  
Certified a true copy

Head of Environmental Services

**Date Registered :** 5th September 2016

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**Proposal :** T1 x Ash - Crown reduce by up to 3.0m, Remove secondary stem  
T2 x Yew - Crown reduce by up to 2.0m and reshape  
T3 x Sycamore - Crown raise by up to 4.0m removing secondary branching  
T4 x Lime - Crown raise up to 5.0m all round, Crown thin by up to 15% to clear driveway and deadwood (exempt)  
T5 x Ash - Crown reduce by up to 5.0m over drive, reduce laterals by up to 3.0m, Crown balance and deadwood (exempt)

**Location :** Elmridge Farm House Main Street Sibford Gower

**Parish(es) :** Sibford Gower

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**'NOTICE OF INTENT' TO UNDERTAKE WORKS TO TREE(S) IN A CONSERVATION AREA**

Cherwell District Council, as Local Planning Authority has **No Further Comments or Objections** to the stated proposals described in the above-mentioned Section 211 "Notice of Intent". Please be advised that you may therefore undertake the stated works within the timescale noted below.

**Informatives:**

Any approved works should be completed within 2 years from the date of the submitted "Notice of Intent". In order to comply with the requirements of Section 211 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

This Council wishes to promote good standards of arboriculture within the District and recommends all tree works are undertaken by suitably qualified and insured contractors in accordance with BS3998 'Recommendations for Tree Works' and all subsequent revisions of.

**Owner authorisation:**

Please be advised that this Decision Notice does in no way provide the applicant / agent with authorisation to enter onto land or property belonging to another person(s) in order to undertake proposed works. Should the applicant / agent wish to gain access onto land belonging to another party then authorisation must be received from the owner of that land prior to undertaking the agreed works. Failure to receive such authorisation from the owner may leave the applicant / agent liable to prosecution.

**Bird nesting/breeding season:**

All wild birds, their young, their eggs and active nests are protected under law. It is an offence to damage a nest intentionally while it is in use or even being built. Non-urgent tree work involving tree removal/pruning and hedge cutting operations should, if possible be avoided during the bird nesting/breeding season. If necessary, then applicants and contractors are advised to take all reasonable precautions in assessing vegetation prior to undertaking works and must cease operations if at anytime a nest is then discovered. Advice from the RSPB indicates the bird nesting season to be from the beginning of March to the end of August however, depending on seasonal temperatures, some birds do continue breeding into September.

**Bats:**

All bats and their roosts are strictly protected by law. Deliberately capturing, disturbing, injuring and killing bats is prohibited. Damaging or destroying their roosts is also prohibited. Where bats are suspected to be present, please seek advice from a qualified arboriculturalist or a licensed bat specialist and if appropriate, get the relevant licence/s before you carry out any major tree work or hedge cutting.

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**Date of Decision : 12th October 2016**

**Head of Environmental Services**