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6th January 2025

Clara Kerr
Chief Planning Officer
Huntingdonshire District Council
Pathfinder House
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Huntingdon
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Dear Ms. Kerr,

Re: Planning Application Reference 25/00003/TRCA

I am writing in response to your letter dated 2nd January 2025 regarding the above planning application submitted on behalf of Eynesbury Primary School, concerning works to a tree in our garden (T35 - Ash). This tree is situated adjacent to the boundary with the school's playing field and lies within a conservation area.

While we understand the proposal to carry out works on the tree as outlined in your letter, and appreciate the need to ensure safety and address the tree's current condition, we would request that any permission granted for this application be limited to a crown reduction only. The tree was in full leaf last summer and showed no signs of being in severe decline or nearing death. We are hopeful that, with appropriate management, it can be given the opportunity to recover rather than being removed entirely.

Over recent years, we have experienced the loss of several trees both in our garden and in the surrounding properties. We are keen to avoid any further loss if at all possible, as it is important to maintain the verdant character and biodiversity of this conservation area.

It is also important to note here that, as yet, we have not been consulted about these plans or the intention to submit a planning application. Since the tree is on our land and these proposed works would impact the tree beyond what is overhanging the school's grounds, the specifics of any works *must* be discussed with us before they can be allowed to proceed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or clarification.

Your sincerely,

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