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My Ref: 4/23/2284/TPO
Date: 27 November 2023

Dear Mr Campbell,

**PRUNING OF A SYCAMORE TREE PROTECTED BY A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER
12 RHEDA CLOSE, FRIZINGTON**

I refer to your application of 04/10/2023 under the above Tree Preservation Order for consent to carry out the following work:-

PRUNING OF A SYCAMORE TREE PROTECTED BY A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

I would confirm that the following works are considered to be unacceptable to the Local Planning Authority and consequently have been **REFUSED** for the following reasons:-

Application Tree No	Species	Proposed Works	Reason for Refusal
Tree 98	1x Sycamore	Pruning of a sycamore - Remove the 2-3 inch diameter regrowth from the last time the tree was cut in 2017, and remove the overhanging branches straddling the garden boundary.	The works specification detailed in the application is ambiguous and open to interpretation. This does not follow current best guidance and the British Standard – BS3998 (2010) Tree Works – Recommendations. Excessive pruning will have a significant effect on the tree's health. Removing a substantial area of a tree's crown reduces its ability to photosynthesise and create carbohydrate. This will affect the tree's longevity and allow decay fungi to exploit

			dysfunctional wood.
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However, I would confirm that there are no objections to the following works, subject to the following conditions:-

Application Tree No	Species	Proposed Works	Specific Conditions
Tree 98	1x Sycamore	Reducing the height of the tree by 1-2m and the crown radius by 1-1.5m, restricting the maximum branch wound diameter of 50mm.	In accordance with British Standards BS 3998 (2010).

Carry out all pruning work in accordance with BS 3998 (2010) Tree Works – Recommendations.

Reason

In accordance with Section 198 of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act and in the interest of good forestry and arboricultural practice.

For your information a copy of the Council’s Consultant Arboriculturalist’s report is enclosed.

Your Right of Appeal

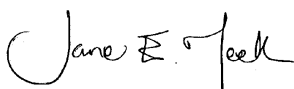
If you disagree with our decision you can appeal to The Planning Inspectorate, Environment and Transport Team, 3/A Eagle Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN within 28 days from the date you received this decision.

Compensation

If you suffer any loss or damage as a result of a condition attached to this consent, you might be entitled to recover compensation from the Council. If you wish to make a claim you must do so within 12 months from the date of this decision (or, if you appeal to the Secretary of State, within 12 months from the date of this decision). Claims should be made in writing to the Development Control Manager, Copeland Borough Council, The Copeland Centre, Catherine Street, Whitehaven, Cumbria, CA28 7SJ.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the case officer Chloe Wootton on 01946 598537.

Yours sincerely



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