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Dear Sir/Madam

## REMOVAL OF A CHERRY TREE SITUATED WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA LAND TO THE REAR OF 32 SCOTCH STREET, WHITEHAVEN

I refer to your application of 10/05/2024 for consent to carry out the following work within a Conservation Area: -

REMOVAL OF A CHERRY TREE SITUATED WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA

I would confirm that there are no objections to the proposal, subject to the following conditions:-

SPECIES	PROPOSED WORKS
1x Cherry	Removal of a cherry tree situated in a Conservation Area.
REASON	
'A flowering Cherry tree to the rear of the property has branches which have grown hard against the high garden boundary wall and which have now dislodged the upper levels of brickwork (see photo provided). We have contacted a local tree surgeon – John Clements – with a view to having offending branches removed. However he agrees that the branches will grow back in a few years and create the same issue again. The preferred solution will be to remove the tree completely.'	

We were not able to access the tree to inspect the damage to the boundary wall. However, the photo clearly shows the damage to the wall. From the Cumberland Council website, the site falls within the Whitehaven Town Centre Conservation Area and a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) does not protect the tree.

We consider the work detailed in the application reasonable to prevent the tree causing further damage to the wall. Our TEMPO assessment (page 2) shows the tree does not merit a TPO.

For your information, a copy of the Council's 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 Planning Manager, Cumberland Council, The Market Hall, Market Place, Whitehaven, Cumbria, CA28 7JG.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the case officer Demi Crawford on 01946 598413

Yours faithfully

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