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Dear Sirs

Planning Application: MO/2024/0679
Location: 12 Springvale Close, Bookham, KT23 4RD
Description Removal of lower branches from one Cedar Tree
Preservation Order Area TPO/107/5/W

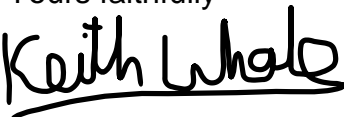
The Bookham Residents Association has no objections in principle to some tree works being done to this Deodar Cedar (*Cedrus deodara*) to mitigate damage to this property. However, any works should be kept to an absolute minimum. We believe complete removal of lower branches is excessive.

This Cedar tree is approximately 100 years of age, of good form and appears to be in good health. It is a prominent and significant tree in Springvale Close, being of high amenity value and greatly enhancing the street scene.

Springvale Close was developed in the early 2000's when this Cedar was already a mature tree. It is questionable whether a house should have been built so close to this tree in the first place.

We would respectively suggest tree works be permitted similar to what were agreed in 2006, namely lightly cut back branch tips to provide a 2 metre clearance from the house.

Yours faithfully



K Whale
Chairman Planning Sub Committee.

Cc Cllr Monica Weller, Cllr Elizabeth Daly, Cllr Roger Adams, Cllr Paul Kennedy, Cllr Andrew Matthews, Cllr Christine Miller, SCC Cllr Clare Curran, MVDC Planning Department.