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Mrs M Oakenfold
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26th November 2008

Dear Mrs Oakenfold

Re: 47 New Road Shoreham-by-Sea Sussex

Asd 03/3/09
22 SEP 2009

I am writing in connection with the Leylandii Tree in the front garden of No. 47 New Road.

The drain serving No. 47 passes from the back of the property beneath the cellar floor and front garden to a direct connection to the main sewer in New Road. Some months ago the drain was blocked and damaged by tree roots and was the subject of a lengthy and costly Insurance Claim. The drain has subsequently been lined but the lining does not extend fully to the Main Sewer in New Road.

The Leylandii in the front garden was the main cause of the problems with the drain. Although the drain has been lined I would consider there still to be a risk of future damage from tree roots. Under the terms of your Insurance there is an expectation that you take steps to mitigate damage.

Accordingly I would recommend that you arrange for the Leylandii Tree to be removed and the roots ground out.

Yours sincerely

[redacted]

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