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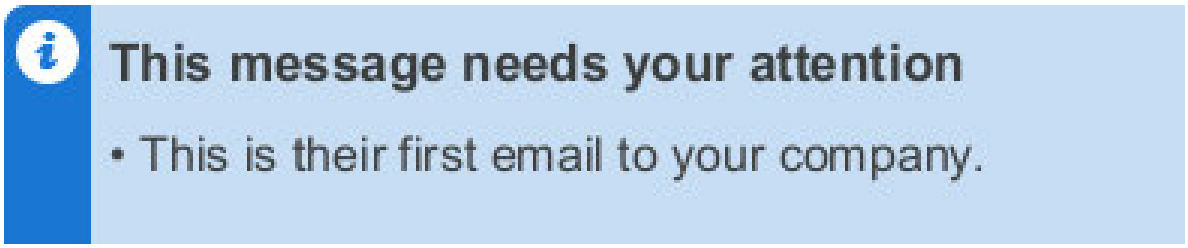

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I refer to the original email sent to you on 19/9/2026 from my wife Mrs. Jane Apostolou and your response email dated 22/9/2026.

Our address is: Chandos House, 14 Wimblehurst Road, Horsham, RH12 2ED.

These emails relate to a mature beech tree in our rear garden with a TPO as we are in a Conservation Area - as previously mentioned, the canopy of the tree is in good condition and the tree height is approximately 40ft.
However the base of the beech tree trunk has significant rotting - **please see photos below.**

We are very keen to save this beech tree and have now taken advice from our Tree Surgeon/Arborist, Mr. Max Lewis of "West Sussex Tree Specialists" [redacted]
He has confirmed that it does require some urgent work otherwise it could be in danger of collapse.
In order to safeguard the future of this beech tree, he has suggested an initial Crown Reduction of approximately 40% to be carried out as soon as possible, particularly with Autumn and more windy weather fast approaching.
The Tree Surgeon has been here on a number of occasions to assess this.

We also have a much smaller walnut tree (with a TPO) again in our rear garden, which the Tree Surgeon has suggested requires a small Crown Reduction and the removal of a "limb branch" which has a significant rotting cavity in it.
Other than this, this walnut tree is healthy.

Of course, you or a member of HDC Trees are welcome to make a site inspection here if required - also our Tree Surgeon is happy to be contacted directly by yourselves for any further clarification.

Please can we have your permission to proceed with surgery to both trees as described above.

Kindest regards,

Mr. A. Apostolou & Mrs. Jane Apostolou.

Photos (3) of base of 40 ft beech tree trunk below.