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Dear Mahesh,

**Tree removal works, Maiden Lane**

In order to facilitate the proposed development at Maiden Lane, Camden, a number of trees required removal. Due to the works coinciding with the breeding bird season (March to August, inclusive), Thomson Ecology Ltd recommended that the works should be carried out under an ecological watching brief in order to check for the presence of any nests immediately prior to tree removal works, and to check for the presence of any other protected species.

The ecological watching brief was carried out on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016. A check was made of all trees and vegetation to be cleared by a suitably qualified ecologist. During the check, three birds nests were identified within trees to be removed, and therefore, these nests were subject to a further inspection.

The further inspection identified the nests to not be in current use with no evidence of eggs or recent nest building materials. Furthermore, due to debris present within the nests, they were considered likely to be over 12 months old.

As the nests were identified as not being in current use, There are therefore no issues with regards to the tree removal works and the legislation relating to breeding birds.

Yours sincerely,



Verity Dickie

Senior Ecological Consultant.