4 September 2000

Mr T Taylor 37402 022021 Operations Services

Ms S Hamilton 9 Leschenaultia Street GREENWOOD 6024

Dear Ms Hamilton

9 LESCHENAULTIA STREET GREENWOOD - PINE TREES

Council acknowledges your letter dated 14 August 2000 regarding the above and advises that its Operations Services Horticultural Officer has inspected the trees and has advised that the trees should not be removed for the following reasons:-

- 1. Council will only remove tree/s from verges if they are dead, dying, diseased or structurally unsound. Both the above pine trees are healthy and structurally sound.
- 2. Leaf fall occurs with all trees, whether on private property or verge areas, and the predominance of trees in the suburb is the basis for the suburb name and why people choose to reside there. Leaf/needle fall from pine trees is similar to that of eucalypts.
- 3. There is no evidence to suggest that root damage is occurring to the pool and although surface roots and cracking of the bitumen road can be seen, it is not significant enough to warrant removal.
 - The pool would have been installed well after the trees had been planted, therefore the original owners would have been aware of the problems associated with these trees.
- 4. Many trees planted on verges within the City are not native, ie. they have been planted by residents, developers and landscapers, and Council does not remove them unless they cause a sight problem or meet the removal criteria.
- 5. Council has received several calls from people opposing the number of trees being removed and opposition to the removal of the above pines has already been registered.

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In view of the above, the pine trees at the side of 9 Leschenaultia Street Greenwood will not be removed.

Should you have any further queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact Council's Technical Officer, Mr Trevor Taylor, at this office.

Yours sincerely

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ATTACHMENT 3
TREE AND PROPERTY LOCATION