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2023/3260/T	B A Abraham for The Belsize Society	18/08/2023 17:48:53	OBJ	<p>For The Belsize Society: This False Acacia is a fine mature tree, highly visible from the street and for a considerable distance up and down Haverstock Hill. It has significant amenity value and the Council should consider granting it TPO status.</p> <p>According to the MWA Report, the structural significance of the damage is categorised as 'slight.' It is acknowledged by all parties that the damage was exacerbated by the exceptionally hot, dry summer of 2022. Pyle Construction's letter of 10.01.23 recommends "a scheme of monitoring including both crack width and accurate level monitoring." It appears that monitoring has commenced but has not yet completed so it would be premature to prejudge the outcome and remove such an important tree just in case. The tree appears in need of pruning and a programme of pruning should be undertaken to see if this is effective in solving the problem: removal should be the last resort. Consideration should also be given to the use of a root barrier.</p>

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