

From: Romain Brunet
Sent: 07 November 2023 09:41
To: Planning
Cc: Hanna Weber
Subject: 22B Harley Road London NW3 3BN (2023/4309/T)

Dear All,

I am writing to express my objection to the planning permission (2023/4309/T). The proposed removal of the Tree of Heaven "T1" in question would have a negative impact on our community and the environment, and I believe there are sound reasons to preserve it.

- **Conservation Area:** Our community is designated as a conservation area, and it is essential to maintain the principles of conserving our natural heritage. The removal of this mature tree contradicts the unique character of our locality
- **Biodiversity and Environmental Benefits:** The tree provides a vital habitat for various wildlife, including squirrels, birds, and insects. Its removal risks disrupting these ecosystems, leading to a loss of biodiversity in our neighborhood
- **Privacy:** The tree has already been pruned heavily, reducing our privacy. Its complete removal would further diminish our sense of privacy and tranquility. Importantly, it also maintains the privacy of the school next door from neighboring houses. The presence of the trees were recognized as crucial when the school was built
- **Excellent Condition:** It is worth noting that the tree is in excellent condition and poses no risk of falling. Its health and stability ensure they do not endanger the houses or neighbors
- **Damage and Cracking in 22a Harley Road are Categorized as "Moderate"** (according to The Technical Report from Crawford in April 2022) and not "severe" nor "very severe." The cracking is consistent with most houses of this age

I trust that the council will consider these reasons for preserving the tree. I believe that an alternative solution should be explored to address the subsidence issue, such as root pruning or other methods that do not necessitate the removal of T1. Additionally, the cracks in the house can be addressed with basic

refurbishments and repairs, such as filling and painting, as this is a typical maintenance practice for houses of this age.

Yours sincerely,
Romain and Hanna

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