Application No:	<b>Consultees Name:</b>	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2023/5192/T	Alison Parry-wingfield	02/01/2024 11:41:06	OBJ	Dear Sir, I would like to object to the proposed felling to the ground of the copper beech tree at 37 Lancaster grove. I believe this tree is the only copper beech in the Belsize Conservation Area that is in clear public view and as such it has very high aesthetic value to the local area. It is a very beautiful tree and stands out with its purple foliage. The girth of the tree indicates it is a very old tree which makes it a very important asset in the historic Belsize Conservation Area. Sadly, there are not many very old trees in the Belsize Conservation Area anymore, giving the tree even more value to the local area. Furthermore, it is a very old tree in good health. As the surveyor's report states, a root barrier is a viable option. The tree is mature now so it is not growing quickly and it has been pollarded which will reduce its root growth. Lancaster Grove is on a belt of London clay and as such all the properties suffer to some degree from clay shrinkage during periods of dry weather. Furthermore the tree sits above the level of the basement of the house and so it is hard to see how the roots can be the cause of any damage to the house. The tree has lived in harmony with the house for over 100 years. It is a very precious old, landmark tree and should not be felled
2023/5192/T	Jane Butler and Tim Crowe	02/01/2024 14:47:05	OBJ	This heritage, landmark Copper Beech is a tree specimen of outstanding merit, beauty and age. We vehemently oppose the Application to fell this tree and call upon the Council to pursue all survey measures and analyses in its power to assess and determine the outright prevention of such a final and irreparable act as tree felling.

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