

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2024/0089/T	Jim Cunningham	28/01/2024 21:52:29	OBJ	<p>The plan to fell the holly tree should not go ahead, as it will have a damaging impact on local biodiversity, ecosystem services like flood mitigation, and the joy the tree provides to the neighbourhood.</p> <p>Holly is a native species, which supports a variety of insect and bird species which are in decline nationally. This holly tree is one of only a few native tree species remaining in this row of back gardens (the other main native species in the area being lime trees). The precarious position of native species and their value to wildlife are recognised in Camden's Biodiversity Strategy and Camden Planning Guidance documents on Trees and Home Improvements. Felling this tree would deplete an already declining wildlife corridor.</p> <p>The tree enhances the beauty of the area, being visible from the street and from gardens on the crescent and Caversham Rd. As well as providing joy in itself, it is also a visual barrier between the opposing windows of properties on Oseney Crescent and Caversham Road.</p>
