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Subject: Removal of trees in Auden Place NW1 8ND 2023/5398/T: advice from

Primrose Hill CAAC

Dera Nick, I'm sorry this advice is late. I hope it is still useful. Best wishes, Richard

PRIMROSE HILL CONSERVATION AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE 12A Manley Street London NW1 8LT

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Objection.

The PHCAAC objects strongly to the proposed removal of the trees and shrubs in Auden Place.

Auden Place was built in 1970 as an exemplary housing scheme, high density medium rise. The articulation of the footprint enabled the scheme to include generous planting, which has become well established and an important element of green space in the Primrose Hill Conservation Area. The courtyard spaces and their landscaping are noted in the *Primrose Hill Conservation Area Statement*, current SPD, at p. 16. Policy guidance in the *PHCA Statement*, at p. 33, at PH33 states 'All trees which contribute to the character or appearance of the Conservation Area should be retained and protected.'

The PHCAAC fully supports Camden's Local Plan policy A3 Biodiversity at 'j'. The proposals do not sustain biodiversity. In broad terms the green character of the conservation area is recognised as an important element in the significance of the conservation area, and so to be preserved or enhanced.

The PHCAAC is very concerned by the removal of trees and substantial shrubs from the Kingstown Street/Calvert Street area of Auden Place before the application has been decided.

The proposals are contrary to Council policy and fail to preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area.

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Chair