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To: Planning

**Subject:** comments on proposed works for 2024/2900/T

Dear Camden planning dept,

Application reference: 2024/2900/T

I was disappointed to see the planning permission request to fell mature tree at 17a Lyndhurst Road NW3 5NL.

We are in a conservation area, and it is important to retain the integrity of our local environment.

The tree is healthy and has provided shade and important habitat for local birds and animals - including squirrels, blackbirds, long tailed tits, blue tits and great tits, robins, pigeons and wrens for several years. I, myself, have seen them frequently on the tree and in the garden, since I moved in next door to 18 Lyndhurst Road 2011.

It is in the interest of the local area, as there are not many mature trees on the block and it contributes considerably to the character. It is easily seen from Lyndhurst Gardens. It provides shelter and shade and helps improve privacy and temperature for neighbours in an urban area.

The tree has been pruned over the years, so as to not become a problem for the neighbouring houses. Notting Hill Genesis have managed the tree in an excellent manner for over a decade so that it does not damage local buildings or the wall to which it lies against. Their reason for felling it is because it is too large, but the tree is precisely the same size it has been for over 13 years since I have been here. Additionally, the complaint about the ivy is irrelevant as the ivy could still be in the garden without the tree.

There does not seem to be an adequate reason to fell it now, unless because the new tenant does not look after the garden, or for financial reasons, that Notting Hill Genesis no longer want to manage the tree.

I do not believe these are adequate reasons to fell this mature tree, and hope that you will refuse this planning application as it serves no benefit to the community and local environment.

Kind regards,

Sarah