

**From: Eleanor Engle**

**Sent: Saturday, September 28, 2024 10:00 PM**

**To: Planning**

**Subject: Comments on: Application ref 2024/3982/T, proposed felling to the ground of ash tree in rear garden of 9 Pond Street**

**Dear Camden Planning,**

**I am a Director of 33 Hampstead Hill Gardens, NW3 2PJ and on behalf of the seven households living in this house, I wish to object to the proposed felling of the ash tree in the rear garden of 9 Pond Street.**

**This large, mature ash tree is situated right on the border of the rear garden of 9 Pond Street and the communal rear garden of 33 Hampstead Hill Gardens. It is viewed by all seven**

**households living at No.33, either directly through the windows of their flats, and/or when descending the central staircase of the house ,and when using the communal garden.**

**There are many surrounding households that also have a significant view of this large tree. There are 18 households in total and one public dance studio that can see the tree,**

**namely 7 households at 33 HHGdns, 1 at 31 HHGdns, 2 at 7 Pond Street also Barrecore, public dance studio, 2 at 9 Pond St, 1 at 11Pond St, 3 at 13 Pond street,**

**1 at 13A Pond S, 1 at 3 Pond St.**

**Also, anyone walking down the right hand side of Hampstead Hill Gardens towards Pond Street gets a full view of the ash tree that fills the large gap behind the low studio there at 5 Pond Street.**

**With all these households and members of the public having a noticeable view of the ash tree, it must surely be acknowledged as a significant public amenity. I therefore feel it is fully justifiable to request a Tree Preservation Order**

**to be placed on it immediately to protect it and prevent it being felled.**

**The tree is important for other reasons too: since it is an extremely large tree, hence not only is it very visible to many, but it screens the rear gardens in Hampstead Hill Gardens from the noise of the fans from the Royal Free Hospital and gives privacy**

**to the back windows of the houses in Pond Street and the nearby back gardens of Hampstead Hill Gardens.**

**This ash is for all the reasons given, a significant tree in this Conservation Area. It is also a very beautiful tree, and it is full of birds ( blue tits, great tits, long tailed tits, robins, wrens, blackbirds, jays, magpies, parakeets)**

**Furthermore, Gareth Wellburn from Burnwell Tree Care who looks after the trees at 33 Hampstead Hill gardens, has looked at this ash tree recently and says it is healthy , not suffering from**

**ash dieback. At a time when many ash trees are dying, it seems one further reason to preserve this mature healthy and much appreciated tree.**

**Yours sincerely**

**Eleanor Engle, Flat 3 , 33 Hampstead Hill Gardens**

**Also on behalf of**

**Lesley Gould                      Flat 1**

**Vivienne Wang                      Flat 2**

<b>Christoph Wolff</b>	<b>Flat 2</b>
<b>Pippa Wolff</b>	<b>Flat 2</b>
<b>Paul Othick</b>	<b>Flat 4</b>
<b>Matthew Apostolou</b>	<b>Flat 5</b>
<b>Katerina Lavrova</b>	<b>Flat 5</b>
<b>Lilian Havlickova</b>	<b>Flat 6</b>
<b>Caryne Chapman Clark</b>	<b>Flat 7</b>