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Sent: 21 November 2024 22:52

To: Planning

Subject: Objection to Proposed Tree Works at 48 Fellows Road, NW3 3JH
(Application Ref: 2024/4874/T)

Dear Planning Trees Team,

As a property owner overlooking the trees, I am writing to formally object to the proposed felling of the Silver Birch (T1), Photinia tree (T2) and Pyracantha (T3) at 48 Fellows Road, NW3 3JH, as outlined in the notification dated 6 November 2024 (application reference: 2024/4874/T).

All three trees play a vital role in supporting the local ecosystem, enhancing biodiversity, and contributing to the character of the conservation area. The Silver Birch, in particular, provides significant environmental benefits, including air pollution reduction, carbon absorption, and urban cooling. Felling it would disrupt wildlife habitats, reduce greenery in the area, and negatively affect the neighbourhood's aesthetic and ecological value.

The proposed crown reductions of the Photinia and Pyracantha also raise concerns about habitat loss, the risk of over-pruning, and the long-term health of these trees. As evergreen species, they provide year-round greenery and screening, which should be preserved.

I respectfully urge the Council to explore alternative solutions, such as pruning or other management strategies, rather than these proposed works. It is unclear whether these interventions are strictly necessary, and I would appreciate confirmation of whether an arboricultural assessment has been conducted.

Thank you for your consideration. Please confirm receipt of this email, and let me know if further information is required.

Yours sincerely,

Tom