

Case no.

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# Camden planning tree preservation

Proposed development at \_\_\_\_\_

Herewith case file on the above application where the site –

a) is the subject of a Tree Preservation Order

b) has trees on it which are not the subject of a Tree Preservation Order

Will you please let me have your observations?

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Observations

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

## History of the park

The Camley Street area has had a varied history. Once the haunt of highwaymen, later Charles Dickens knew it well. Dust sifters, rag sorters and beer sellers lived here and 20,000 paupers dug the canal nearby. History is still being made, as the park is now part of the Greater London Council's King's Cross Community Area. Land that was being used as a rubbish dump was bought by the GLC and has now been transformed into a wild place in the middle of King's Cross.

## Wildlife that you can see

The park has been created as a wildlife refuge and a place where everyone can enjoy nature in the city. A large Pond supports a variety of aquatic plants and lots of water-loving animals such as frogs, toads and newts. Reed beds and areas of marsh provide nesting sites and places where dragonflies can feed. Meadow areas around the pond and on the mound consist of grasses and colourful flowers that provide food for bees and butterflies in the summer months. Many kinds of bird feed and shelter in the scrub which surrounds the whole park. Alder and willow are the most common trees and there are older clumps of butterfly bush which were here long before the park began.

## How the park is run

The park was designed and developed by GLC landscape architects and ecologists. The London Wildlife Trust has been involved from the start and has a manager who runs the park, whilst an ILEA teacher works with local school children on site. There is a visitor centre and classroom, with wheel chair access, which is open all week for schools and other visitors. At weekends there are volunteer wardens to help.

## How you can help

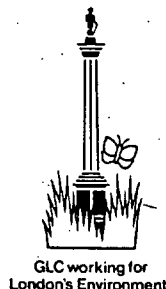
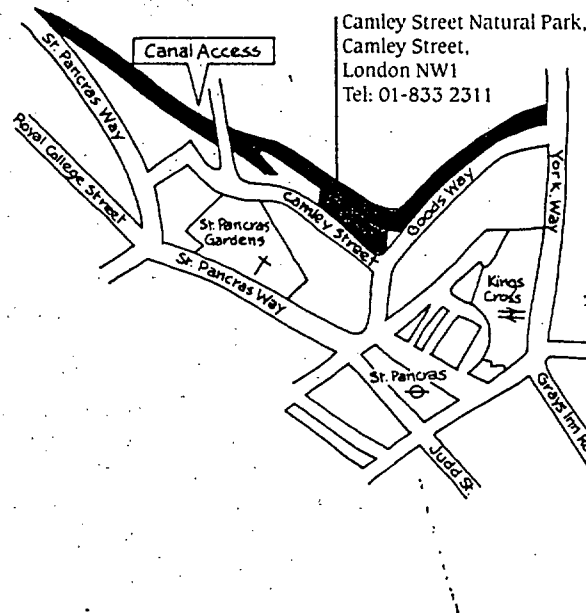
Join the London Wildlife Trust and help protect London's wildlife heritage. For details please write to:

The Membership Secretary  
London Wildlife Trust  
1 Thorpe Close  
London W10 5XL  
Tel: 01-968 5368/9

If you live nearby, why not join the Camley Street Support Group who help the Manager in many ways. Please ring the Nature Centre (833 2311) for details.

## How to get to Camley Street

Public transport to the site is by underground or bus to King's Cross or St Pancras stations, followed by a short walk to Goodsway. From the north, the park is a short walk through St Pancras Gardens from St Pancras Way.



Funding is provided by the GLC together with Camden Council and ILEA. The park is the first major project to be completed in the GLC King's Cross/St Pancras Action Area



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