



Dear Sir,

re: 2014/3536/T 51 Redington Road

I am writing to object to the felling of trees purely as a result of unsubstantiated "tree-related subsidence".

From the OCA report "20/05/14 - Initial results show small variations. Further readings required to assess scale and extent of movement." This report also states the local geology to be Bagshot Sand. While the soil tests did show clay within the made ground, this was mainly composed of silts, sand and gravel.

Visual inspection of the level monitoring readings shows ground movement average to be 0mm, and the maximum movement to be 2.2mm. This is millimetres, not centimetres!

This is not seasonal variation since the one reading that moved more than the error of the movement testing method – point 8 which is the furthest triangulated point from both the front elevation and the right rear areas with cracking - does not follow rainfall patterns across time, and 2mm of soil movement would not be responsible for any movement or cracking of a building, particularly a building built of bricks which is much more forgiving than concrete.

No data has been presented on escape of water. No data has been presented on foundation depths of the various parts of the building despite the statement in the initial report that this is "differential subsidence".

No investigation has been performed on the effect of a large basement and swimming pool excavated at 20 Heath Drive which is actually next door, following planning consent in 1995, following when much of the subsidence reported in this area dates from - as would be expected. The insurance company should - more profitably - spend its time seeking compensation from elsewhere.

These trees add to the important treescape of this area and most warrant TPOs. Please refuse and place TPOs on *all* significant trees.

Best wishes

Vicki Harding

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Dr Vicki Harding

Voluntary Tree Officer Heath & Hampstead Society



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51 Redington Road, NW3 7RP

I should like to object to the mass tree-felling proposed here.

The remaining mature trees along Redington Road are important to the barn owls which hunt from here and for which the area forms an important green corridor.

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Contact the planning advice and information service

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