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To:	Planning
Subject:	2013/6998/T 71 Hampstead High Street
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Dear Sir,	

re: 2013/6998/T 71 Hampstead High Street Proposed work to TPO C211 - T1

The previous Notice of Intent (2013/5095/T) for these 2 lime trees stated the work would be to:

'Trim overhanging branches to stop tree spreading and to enable works to proposed extract duct and extract equipment'.

The reasons for refusal included that the work would harm the existing shape and form of the trees' visual amenity, and that the specification was not specific enough to identify the level of works involved. Informative 1 gave a recommended level of works (25% back to previous pollard points), and stated that no further consents were required prior to these works commencing.

It is thus curious that a further Notice of Intent for tree work (2013/6638/T) has been submitted, which arouses my suspicion in view of the historical applications.

Within the Notice of Intent it is stated that the trees are:

IN NEED OF TRIMMING/POLLARDING SIDE AND CROWN.

No reason is given for why the trees are 'in need of' this trimming, and I am very concerned that the word 'side' - and not just crown - has been inserted.

There has been no planning consent applied for nor awarded for the extract duct and extract equipment. Please, if you are minded to give consent for this work – as the level of work (25%) has been suggested by you – could you also insert a condition that the tree form and shape MUST be retained and the side NOT pollarded more heavily in the region of the existing or proposed duct. A. further Notice of Intent to do this work may then be considered when, and only when, the work has been applied for and IF consent is given.

Best wishes