Since writing the above objection to the planning application for the University of London Garden Halls & Cartwright Gardens Open Space, particularly the proposed townhouses on Sandwich Street, I have heard a rumour that the trees now on the west side of Sandwich Street may now be under threat of being removed. These are particularly beautiful trees which are a great asset to Sandwich Street, especially to those flats, like mine, directly opposite them. They would also be an asset to any townhouse which may be built there, whose residents would surely prefer to see trees outside their windows rather than a view of our flats across the road. Can you assure me that we are not going to lose these lovely trees? Or are we in Sandwich House to be deprived of trees, daylight, sunsets, or anything worth looking at out of our windows?

- > Thank you for inviting me to comment on the above planning
  - > application.

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- > I object to this application because it will reduce most of natural
- > light from my flat and most of the others along this side of Sandwich
- > Street. We only get sunlight in the afternoon here, and I can at the
- > moment see some of the sky. The little view of the sky and Cartwright
- > Gardens tree-tops currently visible will be blocked out. This may seem
- > a trivial matter, but to be able to see a sunset, clouds, or a corner
- > of the night sky now and then are simple, heartwarming pleasures which
- > should be freely available to all. Just keep the new buildings, if
- > they must be built, lower!
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- > Neither, in my opinion, does the proposed development fit well with
- > the character of Bloomsbury in general and Cartwright Gardens in
- > particular.
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- > But my main objection is the reduction of sunlight. Some of us in
- > this block are not young, and the view from one's window is that much
- > more important if you can't get out easily.
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- > And natural daylight is, as we all know, beneficial to health.
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- > I have lived here since 1967 when the buildings now under threat of