From:

**Sent:** 21 August 2015 18:12

To: Planning

Subject: Attn: Fast Track & Validation Team, Dev't Mgmt. Re: Application comment,

planning notification 2015/4520/T

Hello.

Thank you for informing us about a Notification of Intended Works affecting our residence. The details of the intended works are as follows:

Ref#: 2015/4520/T

Address of intended works: 23 Patshull Road NW5 2JX

Work intended: felling of a lime tree in rear garden

Our address: 23b Gaisford Street NW5 2EB (our garden backs onto the garden of 23 Patshull Road)

We request that you take the following points into consideration before granting or denying the requested works:

The lime trees in the rear garden of 23 Patshull Road form a visual screen between that property (a single residential house) and the properties (multiple residential flats) at 23 and 25 Gaisford Street. If the tree were removed, it would be negatively affect the privacy of a large number of people, including the applicants.

The lime trees contribute immensely to the beauty of the back gardens of 23 Gaisford Street and 25 Gaisford Street. Of the five flats making up our building, only the basement flat has access to any outdoor space. The rest of us enjoy the garden by looking at it. It is a small garden, and our indoor living space is likewise very compact, but the aspect onto mature trees gives a feeling of spaciousness and peace that we value very much. The removal of the central tree of the three would create a large hole in the view, making the opposing house appear much closer than it does now.

Given that 23 Patshull Road seems to be a single private residence, whereas 23 and 25 Gaisford Street are both made up of multiple flats, it seems that many more people may be disadvantaged by the removal of this tree than the number of people who desire the tree's removal.

The online record for this planning notification does not currently list the applicants' reasons. We recognise that the removal of the tree may be a practical necessity. Perhaps the tree is diseased beyond saving, or is causing serious structural damage. We simply ask that, if this is the case, they provide robust documentary support for this claim.

In the absence of persuasive documentation as to the necessity of removing the tree, we request that permission for this action be denied, and that the tree be maintained in good health for us all to enjoy

We would appreciate some acknowledgement of receipt of our email. Thank you for considering our submission. We will follow the Council's decision with interest.

Best regards,

Katrina Zaat and Julian Ramsay

23b Gaisford Street NW5 2EB