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2015/6503/T	Anne Stevens	Flat 1 20 Netherhall Gardens London NW3 5TH	08/12/2015 17:32:02	OBJ	<p>This is a large and important tree, fully justifying its TPO. It provides the focal point of the outlook along a considerable length of the gardens of both Maresfield Gardens and Netherhall Gardens, and is visible from the public highway. The applicant alleges that is diseased (canker) and that it does not appear to be recovering as some trees do. There seems, from my internet research, to be scientific opinion that removing affected branches will not cure the tree. However, despite the allegation that the tree is diseased there is no independent report to support the diagnosis. The Council should at the very least require the production of an independent report which will confirm the diagnosis and outline an independent view of how it should be managed if disease is confirmed.</p> <p>Should the conclusion be that the tree will die within the near to medium term, then the applicant should be required by a legally binding agreement to replace it with a substantial mature tree that will survive well in the location and rapidly fulfil the landscape and environmental function of the current tree.</p>
