

Dear Ms.Haji-Ismail ,

I object to the above application to demolish the existing house and replace it with one more than 3 times the size .

I attach the Arboricultural Report I commissioned from Simon Pryce B.Sc,F.Arbor. A,C.Biol,MIC For,CEnv on my mature Horse-chestnut tree at 17 Lyndhurst Terrace . This report refutes the inaccurate report supplied by the developer which erroneously claims my tree is of no value and should be felled to facilitate their proposed basement . The tree is category C and covered by a TPO , its root protection zone would be cut into by the proposed basement and there is no other space the roots could grow into which is not already hard-surfaced (the only available space would be the north end of the front garden of the Language College at no.13 but this garden is terraced/paved over) .

Even if you decide to allow the demolition of the current sympathetic house and then excavation of a new basement , please restrict the front (north and east) basement to the existing footprint of the existing house and to the front building line in Lyndhurst Tce. (ie. from the porch of no.13 to the east front of the garage at no.17) , this would at least give the valuable, mighty, "protected" horse-chestnut a reasonable chance of survival .

Please refuse this damaging demolition which would supply NO EXTRA HOUSING and would almost certainly kill this valuable tree (in a site already denuded of its 5 trees) .

My other objections will follow in a separate email .

Yours faithfully ,
Andrew Dutton Parish