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**Re: PLANNING APPLICATION 2017/0137/T**

Dear Sir/Madam,

With regard to the request by AXA Insurance to fell the lime tree at 6 Parkhill Road, I would like to raise an objection on behalf of 6 and 6a Parkhill Road Ltd, the freeholders of the property and owners of the tree.

Unfortunately, we did not receive any notification of this planning application and only found out that the action had been requested when we were submitting an application to perform the routine pollarding of the lime tree as per the maintenance schedule that we have in place.

I would like to propose this request is rejected on the following grounds:

- i) The tree is part of an aesthetically pleasing matching pair, either side of the driveway entrance at number 6 and 6a Parkhill Road.
- ii) The description of the damage to 8 Parkhill Road is described as 'slight', and has occurred on the front bay of the house where the foundations were described as 'shallow' and only 150mm in depth.
- iii) The roots discovered during the survey were described as 'dead' which indicates that either this tree was not responsible for the claimed 'clay shrinkage' or that the regular maintenance which the trees undergo is doing its job.
- iv) There are a number of other structures near this tree which remain in no way affected - again pointing to a build quality issue with front bay of number 8 rather than a problem with the tree.
- v) The report put forward by AXA provides only a theory to explain the subsidence, and then a second theory as the lime tree being the cause.

I would therefore request that this application is denied.

Yours faithfully,

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John Atherton  
**Director**  
**6 and 6a Parkhill Road Ltd**