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2017/0404/T	Simon Fairburn	1 Byron Mews NW32NQ NW32NQ	12/02/2017 10:48:03	COMMNT	I would ask the council to reject the application for the felling of the Plane tree in the grounds of the Royal Free Hospital as it is a significant tree for the immediate locale.
					It screens the large buildings of the hospital from residents in Fleet Road and provides one of the very few elements of natural life of any significant size in the entire Road. The visual impact of the tree is profound on the area. It is perhaps 70 or more years old with a long life ahead of it if maintained to ensure it does not become dangerous. It would appear that any remedial work now necessary to address damage to the retaining wall would have been mitigated by earlier, timely intervention. The damage to the footpath itself is minimal and the tree is stable.
					As the concern is with the wall itself this can be resolved to the satisfaction of Health and Safety and the residents who currently enjoy the beauty and privacy the tree affords as compared to the brutalist concrete towers behind.
					Such a benefit to the community must be preserved if at all possible, rather than simply becoming an inconvenience for the Royal Free Hospital. I hope the council will seek to ensure every possible course of action is pursued with preservation in mind, rather than those of vested interests.
					Yours faithfully
					Simon Fairburn
2017/0404/T	Sarah Harper	NW3 2LN	12/02/2017 13:19:24	OBJ	This tree does not need to be felled. Rather, a better planned and better built wall needs to be constructed instead because it is now a bigger tree than it was when first planted. Please don't kill a living thing simply because it has grown as God intended. This area needs trees not just saplings. Don't be lazy, wasteful, shortsighted and heartless. Whatever replaces it, will grow too.

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