



Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Your ref: 2017/0875/T dated 14.02.2017 (Notification of intended works to trees in a conservation area)

As owners and residents of the flats above the basement and ground floor of 275 Eversholt Street we are concerned at this new attempt to remove two trees in the rear garden space. These two tall flourishing trees with roots in this garden area are greatly appreciated by the residents around them.

Apart from giving us a leafy outlook over three seasons, they give some privacy to the flats on either side. They also help to keep down traffic pollution and noise from Hurdwick Place.

If the cutting of the trees leads to another application for the building of an extension (as attempted before) it would mean the loss of any possibility of garden use in the future and is environmentally undesirable. It would also set a precedent in this small green corner to any neighbours willing to do the same.

It is an established fact that if a tree close to a building is removed then the moisture in the soil under the footing would increase thus causing damage in the form of structural cracking, particularly when the soil is London clay.

As you will be aware there have been attempts in the past to cut these trees down. Residents witnessed and intervened last time when workman started to cut down one with an electric saw.

The related application, Your Ref; 2011/5680 of 16th November 2011 for 'Notification of Intended Works to Tree(s) in a Conservation Area' and Your Ref: 24fi137181P of 12th

August 2011 for 'Erection of rear basement and ground floor level extension of 275 Eversholt St NW1 1BA' were rejected by the Council following objections.

I wish to make clear our total objection to this latest application.

Yours sincerely

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