Tree Section Town Hall Extension Argyle Street, WC1H 8ND

Flat 3, 275 Evershoft St London NW1 1BA 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Sir/Madam.

Re: Your ref:  $2017/0875/\Gamma$  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 a chain saw

The related application, Your Ref. 2011/5680 of 16-11-2011 and 2014/4906/T of 15-09-2014 for 'Notification of Intended Works to Trec(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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Camden Development Control Planning Services London Borough of Camden Tree Section Town Hall Extension Argyle Street London

Dear Sirs

WCIH 8ND

## Re: Planning Application Number - 2017/0875/T

We wish to confirm that we act of behalf of the owners of Flat 1 & 2, 275 Eversholt Street, London NW1 1BA, and wish to comment in respect of the proposed Planning Application referred to above.

We wish to object to this application upon the basis that the two trees are of a particular variety and note and should be protected. Not only would their removal be detrimental to the property and the surrounding environment, but it is important that every effort should be made to protect the environmental surroundings of this particular area.

Not only do they give some privacy to the properties on either side of them, but also they keep the noise levels down from the surrounding commercial premises.

Furthermore, there is the possibility that the removal of these trees would affect the adjoining structures, as their roots absorb the moisture in the soil and consequential damages may arise to the structure of the surrounding buildings bearing in mind the soil is London clay.

We therefore trust that you will take into account these important issues when dealing with this application.

Yours faithfully

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