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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of Mark Ridsdill Smith
Sent: 26 March 2017 10:59
To: Planning
Subject: 2017/1249/T

Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing to support the proposed work to the sycamore tree in 23 Dartmouth Park Road, London. Your ref: 2017/1249/T.

I am the owner of the first and second flat at no 35 Chetwynd Road which is the closest building to the tree.

My main reason for supporting the proposal is because an insurance company refused to quote for buildings insurance because of the size of the tree and its proximity to the house. This indicates that the tree poses a risk to the foundations and would be best removed.

In addition to the risks to the foundations of the house, the tree also drips sticky resin on to my balcony and has got so large that it cuts out much natural light. It has been pruned in the past to reduce this but it grows so fast, the benefits of pruning are short lived.

The tree is sycamore, which is not native (so supports little native wildlife) and which has seeded itself. There are many attractive trees in the area, including an old mulberry close by, but this is not one of them. It would be best removed and something smaller, and more suitable and attractive put in its place.

Yours sincerely

Mark Ridsdill Smith
Owner of 35 Chetwynd Road, NW5 1BX

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