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**From:** Ben Weaver [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 25 April 2017 18:56  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** 2017/2052/T - Objection to felling of trees at 60 Pilgrims Lane, NW3 1SN

Tree Section

London Borough of Camden

Town Hall Extension

Argyle Street

London

WC1H 8ND

Ref: 2017/2052/T

Dear Sir/Madam

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (Section 211 et al)

The Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012

**Objection to intended works to trees in a conservation area**

**60 Pilgrims Lane**

**London NW3 1SN**

I am writing as the owner/occupier of the First Floor Flat at this site where I enjoy the benefit of long leasehold and share of freehold.

I object to the proposed felling of 2 x large mature sycamore trees for the following reasons:

1. Felling of the trees would cause a significant negative impact on amenity value including loss of aesthetic enjoyment, environmental value and sense of wellbeing;
2. The sycamore trees form part of a mature group of trees, together with a large ash at 62 Pilgrims Lane, which constitute a longstanding feature of the site, enjoyed by myself, other residents and neighbours which should be preserved for future enjoyment.
3. The trees contribute positively to the distinctive character of this conservation area; providing environmental and aesthetic value for a community of overlooking properties in Pilgrims Lane, Willow Road and Downshire Hill;
4. While the trees are on private land they are visible from a wide array of dwellings and public viewpoints including the National Trust property at 2 Willow Road; removal of the trees would have a negative impact on local environment and neighbourhood amenity;
5. The trees support significant wildlife, ecology and biodiversity including squirrels, birds and bees;
6. Any issues with insects could be dealt with by less drastic measures, such as good management of the garden, pruning or other treatments;
7. There is no evidence that these trees are causing any adverse effects or risks, while removal may cause adverse effects such as ground heave;
8. There has been no prior consultation with interested persons such as other residents, leaseholders, freeholders or neighbours;
9. Felling of these trees seems to be wholly unnecessary.

Attached are photographs showing the environmental and aesthetic value of this group of trees within the setting of the conservation area.

I hereby request a TPO to prevent unnecessary cutting down or wilful damage to these trees.

Please feel free to contact me to arrange a viewing from this



site.



Yours sincerely,

Ben Weaver

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