



The Heath & Hampstead Society

6th September 2017

Dear Tom Little,

Re: 2017/4524/T 27 Daleham Gardens London NW3 5BY

I am writing to object to the felling of this tree.

The Notice of Intent to fell it 'as close to ground level as possible and treat with glyphosate to prevent regrowth, tree is in decline with possible cambium death present at base' does not give diagnostic information or a reason for felling.

Looking at the front garden that is now a car parking lot for one car rather than the garden with merely a path diagonally across it as was drawn on past applications for planning consent, one is drawn to assume that the owners plan to park several cars here rather than just the one, and so would like to see the tree removed.

If professional diagnostic evidence indicates that felling is appropriate then please include in your consent a condition that it be replaced with a large beech tree to match the beech tree across the road. While climate change is thought to mean that beech trees will find it hard to survive in the future, this is not the case for Hampstead. The considerable flowing ground water - here related to the waters flowing into the Shepherd Stream that runs between Daleham Gardens and Fitzjohn's Avenue - means that these wonderful surface rooting trees will be able to survive well here.

Daleham Gardens needs all the tall water-loving trees it can possibly retain, and this tree provides considerable amenity to the treescape.

Yours sincerely

Vicki Harding, Tree Officer Heath & Hampstead Society