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From: AB [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 October 2017 19:12
To: Little, Tom
Cc: Planning
Subject: Objection: application; 2017/5258/T
Attachments: RESPONSE (Redacted).PDF; 2005 TPO Application Form.PDF; 2013-5837-T Tree Application incl small oak.PDF; Series of Google Earth shots 7 Wedderburn Rd.pdf

Dear Mr. Little,

I write to voice my strong objection to the felling of two trees in our garden.

Mr. Camm, in application 2017/5258/T has failed to mention the fact that the oak has a TPO C55 on it. which makes, I believe, the current application is invalid.

In this case the TPO oak is noted on the 1866 Ordinance Survey map as a significant tree then. It's marked with the symbol for significant trees on the map as a hedgerow tree, the field boundary then, so it is of historical importance.

The tree is in a conservation area and it's an important setting for this Grade 2 Listed House.

The "small" oak Mr. Camm refers to in applications and 2017/5258/T does not exist. This is an attempt to hoodwink the tree officers.
Unfortunately, Mr. Camm has put in applications to remove or to over pollard our tree (resulting in, what I believe is, its current poor health) for the second time now.
In 2013 application 2013-5837-T he put in an application without properly consulting the elderly and infirmed freeholder, Mr. Fathergill.

At the time I sent Camden a letter from Mr. Fathergill refusing to give permission in regard to the oak tree. This should be in Camden's data base. I could not find it nor my objection online today.
The application says it was to reduce the "small oak tree". They removed more than a third of the tree which never should have been done- it was much more than the application said it would reduce it by. In 2005 dead wood was taken from the tree 2005/4760/T- this application is for the TPO tree.
Please see the chronological list of photographs as proof.
My view and wish is that the tree needs good management and husbandry and to be given a chance after all the abuse that it has suffered.

The oak furthermore, is at the back of a long formal garden, 30 meters from the house and does not, nor has it ever obstructed the light.

As house holders we use the garden because it is so sunny, whilst all the sun loving plants are thriving in the garden also.

It is a danger to no one, there are no targets below or near it.

I suspect that the agent and gardner are looking to clear the garden of its trees to pave the way for rear extension and basement or sell the freehold with planning for that.

The enclosed photo images from Google Earth demonstrate that neither tree shadows reach the house or

have obstructed light from our very sunny garden.

Regarding the pyracantha- it is not damaging the wall. The wall covers an area extending way beyond the trees roots. The wall has not had basic maintenance for over 30 years and it is not affecting the building at all. The house is currently undergoing significant restoration and none of the damage is due to trees, I have lived here for 18 years and have the longest residence and knowledge of the building. It is a beautiful tree and should be thinned and trimmed back. In my view that would be a very good resolution. I would be very grateful if Camden would investigate these facts and say no to this inaccurate and dreadful application.

Best regards,

Caroline Samsonova

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flat 3
London
NW3 5QS

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1.google earth, light and shadows

2.Heath and Hampstead tree officer g: 2013/5337/T 7 Wedderburn Road


3. 2012 image of oak (sunflowers)

4. 2013 Camden application -"SMALL OAK"

52005 Application TPO

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re: 2013/5837/T 7 Wedderburn Road

I am writing to you to request you refuse this Notice of Intent where it relates to the TPO'ed oak tree.

This important veteran tree was rather drastically reduced by about 30% in 2011 "to remove major dead wood", to the dismay of those who live at 7 Wedderburn Road. This is a lot of reduction for a veteran oak, though the actual work seems to have been well done. Another 10-15% to be removed this year however is not warranted and puts this significant tree at risk.

As you know, while scrupulous hygiene and good practice when lopping diminish the risk to a tree, it is now not recommended that trees be reduced unless really necessary, particularly veteran trees. Also, dead wood does not all require removal; it is important for biodiversity and should only be removed if it poses a significant risk to more frequently present targets below. From observation of this tree, the dead wood present is very small, is not sited over the lawn but in areas that I understand only the gardener himself would go to. It may even have been precipitated by the recent severe lopping, which could have speeded up retrenchment of this veteran tree: one of the hedgerow oak survivors from the times when this area was farmland.

I have spoken to the Freeholder, an elderly and rather infirm man who lives on the premises and employs a gardener. It would seem this (new) gardener has taken it upon himself to employ a tree surgeon to apply for the work on the oak. The freeholder is not aware of this application, says he does not know of the 'Agent' Nick Camm, and while he agrees with the work on the magnolia and the pittosporum, he is against any work on the oak which has already and recently been very severely lopped.


There are also no evidence papers on Camden website about this application, so I can only presume that this is an incomplete application. Please would you only accept applications and Notices of Intent from 7 Wedderburn Road if the Applicant is mentioned.

Please refuse that part of this Notice of Intent that refers to the TPO'ed oak.

With best wishes



15/10/2013

 Camden LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN		ENVIRONMENT Tree Works Application Summary	
Application No:	2005/4760/T	Application Received Date:	11/11/2005
Valid Date:	11/11/2005		
Statutory Expiry Date:	06/01/2006		
Application Type:	Application for Works to Tree(s) covered by a TPO		
Ward:	Hampstead Town		
Location:	7 Wedderburn Road, London, NW3 5QS		
Description of Works:	(TPO Ref: C55) REAR GARDEN: 1 x Oak - Remove dead wood. (ASSOCIATED TREE NOTIFICATION Ref: 2005/4761/T REAR GARDEN: 1 x Magnolia - Reduce crown and branches to 4/5 or 1/3.)		
Case Officer:	Kevin Fisher		
Telephone:	020 797 5616	E-Mail: conservation@camden.gov.uk	
Applicant	Mr K Lewis	Agent:	
		Tel:	

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Application for tree works: works to trees subject to a tree preservation order (TPO)
and/or notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

You can complete and submit this form electronically via the Planning Portal by visiting www.planningportal.gov.uk/apply

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Please complete using block capitals and black ink.

You must use this form if you are applying for work to trees protected by a tree preservation order (TPO). (You may also use it to give notice of works to trees in a conservation area).

It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes before filling in the form. Without the correct information, your application / notice cannot proceed.

1. Applicant Name and Address	2. Agent Name and Address
Title: <input type="text" value="MR"/> First name: <input type="text"/>	Title: <input type="text" value="Mr"/> First name: <input type="text" value="Nick"/>
Last name: <input type="text" value="Fothergill"/>	Last name: <input type="text" value="Camm"/>
Company (optional): <input type="text"/>	Company (optional): <input type="text"/>
Unit: <input type="text"/> House number: <input type="text" value="7"/> House suffix: <input type="text"/>	Unit: <input type="text"/> House number: <input type="text" value="66 A"/> House suffix: <input type="text"/>
House name: <input type="text" value="Wedderburn road"/>	House name: <input type="text" value="Alton Rd"/>
Address 1: <input type="text" value="Camden"/>	Address 1: <input type="text" value="Roehampton"/>
Address 2: <input type="text"/>	Address 2: <input type="text"/>
Address 3: <input type="text"/>	Address 3: <input type="text"/>
Town: <input type="text" value="London"/>	Town: <input type="text" value="London"/>
County: <input type="text"/>	County: <input type="text"/>
Country: <input type="text"/>	Country: <input type="text"/>
Postcode: <input type="text" value="NW3 5QS"/>	Postcode: <input type="text" value="SW15 4NJ"/>

2013/5837/T

3. Trees Location

If all trees stand at the address shown in Question 1, go to Question 4. Otherwise, please provide the full address/location of the site where the tree(s) stand (including full postcode where available)

Unit:	<input type="text"/>	House number:	<input type="text"/>	House suffix:	<input type="text"/>
House name:	<input type="text"/>				
Address 1:	<input type="text"/>				
Address 2:	<input type="text"/>				
Address 3:	<input type="text"/>				
Town:	<input type="text"/>				
County:	<input type="text"/>				
Postcode (if known):	<input type="text"/>				

If the location is unclear or there is not a full postal address, either describe as clearly as possible where it is (for example, 'Land to the rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or 'Woodland adjoining Elm Road') or provide an Ordnance Survey grid reference:

Description:

4. Trees Ownership

Is the applicant the owner of the tree(s): ☒ Yes ☐ No

If 'No' please provide the address of the owner (if known and if different from the trees location)

Title:	<input type="text"/>	First name:	<input type="text"/>
Last name:	<input type="text"/>		
Company (optional):	<input type="text"/>		
Unit:	<input type="text"/>	House number:	<input type="text"/>
House name:	<input type="text"/>		
Address 1:	<input type="text"/>		
Address 2:	<input type="text"/>		
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Telephone numbers			
Country code:	National number:	Extension number:	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Country code:	Mobile number (optional):		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Country code:	Fax number (optional):		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Email address (optional):	<input type="text"/>		

5. What Are You Applying For?

Are you seeking consent for works to tree(s) subject to a TPO? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you wishing to carry out works to tree(s) in a conservation area? ☒ Yes ☐ No

6. Tree Preservation Order Details

If you know which TPO protects the tree(s), enter its title or number below.

7. Identification Of Tree(s) And Description Of Works

Please identify the tree(s) and provide a full and clear specification of the works you want to carry out. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary. You might find it useful to contact an arborist (tree surgeon) for help with defining appropriate work. Where trees are protected by a TPO, please number them as shown in the First Schedule to the TPO where this is available. Use the same numbers on your sketch plan (see guidance notes).

Please provide the following information below: tree species (and the number used on the sketch plan) and description of works. Where trees are protected by a TPO you must also provide reasons for the work and, where trees are being felled, please give your proposals for planting replacement trees (including quantity, species, position and size) or reasons for not wanting to replant.

E.g. Oak (T3) - fell because of excessive shading and low amenity value. Replant with 1 standard ash in the same place.

Requesting to reduce a large pittosporum by about 50% as it is outgrowing its location. Listed as tree #1. To reduce the magnolia tree by about 20% to increase light into the garden. Listed as #2. To reduce the small oak tree by about 10-15% to increase light into the garden. Listed as #3

7. Identification Of Tree(s) And Description Of Works continued ...

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<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; width: 100%; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <p style="margin: 0;">Wedderburn Road</p>		

8. Trees - Additional Information

Additional information may be attached to electronic communications or provided separately in paper format.

For all trees

A sketch plan clearly showing the position of trees listed in Question 7 must be provided when applying for works to trees covered by a TPO. A sketch plan is also advised when notifying the LPA of works to trees in a conservation area (see guidance notes). It would also be helpful if you provided details of any advice given on site by an LPA officer.

For works to trees covered by a TPO

Please indicate whether the reasons for carrying out the proposed works include any of the following. If so, your application must be accompanied by the necessary evidence to support your proposals. (See guidance notes for further details)

1. **Condition of the tree(s)** - e.g. it is diseased or you have fears that it might break or fall: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If YES, you are required to provide written arboricultural advice or other diagnostic information from an appropriate expert.

2. **Alleged damage to property** - e.g. subsidence or damage to drains or drives. ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If YES, you are required to provide for:

Subsidence

A report by an engineer or surveyor, to include a description of damage, vegetation, monitoring data, soil, roots and repair proposals. Also a report from an arboriculturist to support the tree work proposals.

Other structural damage (e.g. drains, walls and hard surfaces)

Written technical evidence from an appropriate expert, including description of damage and possible solutions.

Documents and plans (for any tree)

Are you providing separate information (e.g. an additional schedule of work for Question 7)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, please provide the reference numbers of plans, documents, professional reports, photographs etc in support of your application. If they are being provided separately from this form, please detail how they are being submitted.

9. Authority Employee / Member

With respect to the Authority, I am:

- (a) a member of staff (c) related to a member of staff
(b) an elected member (d) related to an elected member

Do any of these statements apply to you?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, please provide details of the name, relationship and role

10. Application For Tree Works - Checklist

Only one copy of the application form and additional information (Question 8) is required. Please use the guidance and this checklist to make sure that this form has been completed correctly and that all relevant information is submitted. Please note that failure to supply precise and detailed information may result in your application being rejected or delayed. You do not need to fill out this section, but it may help you to submit a valid form.

Sketch Plan

- A sketch plan showing the location of all trees (see Question 8)

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For all trees

(see Question 7)

- Clear identification of the trees concerned
- A full and clear specification of the works to be carried out

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For works to trees protected by a TPO

(see Question 7)

Have you:

- stated reasons for the proposed works?
- provided evidence in support of the stated reasons? in particular:
 - if your reasons relate to the condition of the tree(s) - written evidence from an appropriate expert
 - if you are alleging subsidence damage - a report by an appropriate engineer or surveyor and one from an arboriculturist.
 - in respect of other structural damage - written technical evidence
- included all other information listed in Question 8?

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11. Declaration - Trees

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I/we confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

Signed - Applicant:

Signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

09/09/2013

(This date must not be before the date of sending or hand-delivery of the form)

Please send correspondence by email

12. Applicant Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code: National number: Extension number:

Country code: Mobile number (optional):

Country code: Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

13. Agent Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code: National number: Extension number:

Country code: Mobile number (optional):

Country code: Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

Electronic communication - If you submit this form by fax or e-mail the LPA may communicate with you in the same manner.
(Please see guidance notes)



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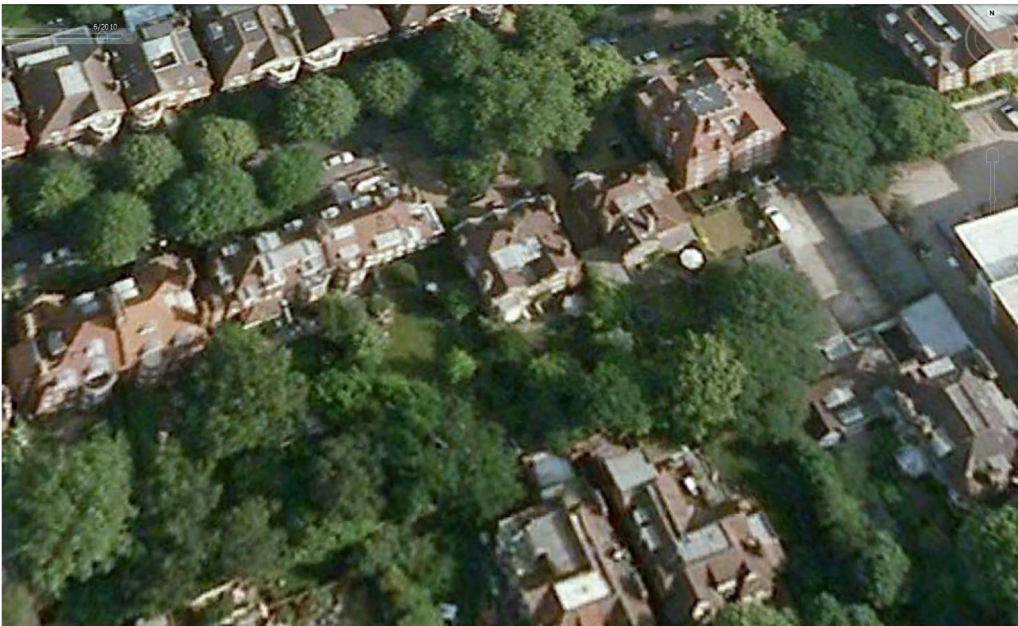
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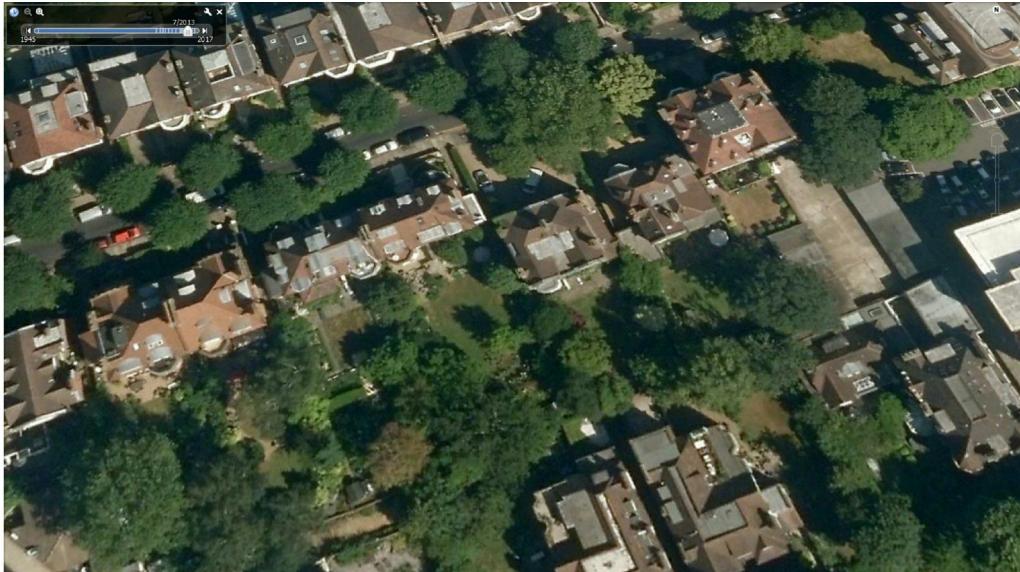
Winter 2006 showing the oak tree's more easterly morning shadow does not reach the house - 30 metres away



2008



2010



Summer 2013 showing the oak tree's shadow does not reach the house - 30 metres away



Summer 2015 showing the oak tree's more westerly afternoon shadow does not reach the house - 30 metres away



2017

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From: Louisa Martin [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 October 2017 19:31
To: Planning
Subject: works to tree, 7 Wedderburn Rd

Dear Madam / Sir,

Re : your reference 2017/5258/T ...

I would like to check re: the proposal to fell the Oak tree. I am fine with this if the tree is terminally ill. However, if there is a chance of recovery, I feel the tree should be allowed to live, as it is a very old and historic tree. I am guessing someone from the Council will have a look / will offer an independent opinion?

Yours Faithfully,

Louisa Martin
flat 1, 7 Wedderburn Rd.
NW3 5QS
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