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To: Planning@camden.gov.uk

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**In Reponse to Notification of Intended Work in a conservation area – proposed Tree Felling in rear garden of 6 Camden Terrace**

Your Reference: 2018/0875/T

Dear Sir/Madam,

It has come to my attention that there is a proposal to fell a protected Ash tree in the rear garden of 6 Camden Terrace, in a conservation area where I have lived since 1986.

I live at No 4 Camden Terrace and am a part freehold owner/occupier. I overlook this tree from the house and back garden. It is an very important part of the natural garden environment for wild life, and birds such as woodpeckers nested in it a few years back. It a beautiful mature tree which has probably been there since the surrounding houses of Camden Terrace, North and South Villas were built. Such ancient trees should be protected and nurtured, it would be heartbreaking to fell this beautiful tree as there are so very few mature trees left.

It has been shown that mature trees such as this ash tree, makes a huge contribution in filtering dust and dirt from the traffic fumes from nearby roads such as Camden Park Road, Camden Road, and it helps provide oxygen and clean air to the surrounding neighbourhood.

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/news/2018/02/southampton-trees.page>  
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-37813709>

The area of Camden Terrace is on clay soil, all the surrounding houses suffer a little from subsidence being on a hill, the ash tree has been here probably as long as the houses and has not appeared to cause major structural damage.

I have been unable to track the full discussion on this planning proposal but have seen the letter sent you from Gabriella Ingram who lives at No 6 voicing her strong opposition and making very cogent points against this planning application which I wholeheartedly support.

If the level of damage is slight then there can be no adequate reason to remove this tree which makes such a contribution to the local environment and our conservation area. Once a mature tree like this is removed there is no way that it can be replaced.

**I very strongly oppose planning application to fell this tree.**

Christine Jones

