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2018/2495/T	Salprime Ltd	29/06/2018 17:33:20	OBJ	<ul> <li>Dear Sir/Madam,</li> <li>I wish to strongly object to this application for the following reasons:</li> <li>1) This tree forms a significant part of the local topography of Akenside Road and Fitzjohn's Avenue, making a significant positive contribution to long views within the conservation area. As a local resident it makes a huge contribution to the feeling of wellbeing and green space.</li> <li>2) I appreciate the owners concern and also the raft of investigations that have been undertaken. I would however question the interpretation of borehole report and also the conclusions. Some of the boreholes had evidence of minor roots however none of the boreholes revealed any signs of desiccation of the soils. I would therefore question the conclusions of the cause and the proposed remedy.</li> <li>3) The engineers describe the cracking as grade 2 which is not very significant and certainly in my eyes, would not justify the immediate lurch to felling as opposed to maintenance.</li> <li>4) Limited maintenance if any has been undertaken on the tree and clearly when dealing with such a special tree there is no excuse for not undertaking a maintenance programme first to determine if the problem can be dealt with in that manner if indeed it is being caused by this tree at all.</li> <li>5) If all trees near homes which had grade 2 cracking were felled, London would have no trees. This is not just a regular tree but a hugely important and precious one that warrants the effort to maintain it prior to drastic action being taken.</li> <li>Yours Faithfully Salprime Ltd</li> </ul>	