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Subject: Comments on 2018/3840/T have been received by the council.

I strongly support this application.

My house [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] behind 4 Keats Close and the huge Lawsons Cypress (a non-native tree) is immediately behind the righthand side of my back fence (I can reach the trunk by leaning over the fence). It is far too large for it's location and too close to my house. It should never have been planted there.

It creates many problems for me namely:

- 1) It overhangs my garden by many feet - at least 3 + metres - cutting out most of the light in the back corner;
- 2) The branches are also very low – close above my head - and can bang the heads of tall visitors;
- 3) Some roots physically protrude up into my lawn in several places ! making it impossible to mow properly and have a decent lawn.
- 4) It also sucks up most of the moisture where the roots pass beneath - again adversely affecting the lawn.
- 5) It is immediately next to the boundary wall between me and 4 Keats Close - making it impossible to properly repair the wall or fence.
- 6) It constantly drops a sticky residue which is unpleasant and unhealthy.

I can supply photos relating to the size, location and overhang of the tree.

Importantly, it is also a non-native tree and such a conifer is entirely unsuitable in the local environment and also very close to the historic buildings in Keats Grove (Keats House). It comes from the Californian mountains and grows vigorously - it can reach over 40m high !! so is patently unsuitable for a small garden in this area where houses are close together and gardens small.

Finally, it is already implicated in the problems of subsidence caused to my house (16 Heath Hurst Road) by the twin-stem ash in the same garden a few feet away and because of this, Camden has already given permission for removal of that tree - see your Application Ref: 2016/4303/T. It is unacceptable for this new application to be refused as it is very possible the Cypress will also soon cause further subsidence problems for me !

My insurance company is also strongly in favour of its removal.

NB – POLLARDING WOULD NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEMS I OUTLINE ABOVE,

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