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ARBORICULTURAL, LANDSCAPE & MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS

Gwen McDougal
58a Reddington Road
London
NW3 7RS

29th January 2019

Dear Gwen,

Re: Trees at 58a Reddington Road

Further to my visit on 18th January 2019, I am pleased to attach a sketch plan and a tree schedule describing the trees and making recommendations.

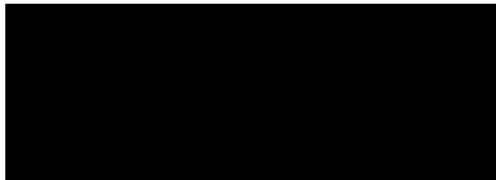
Although the robinia (T1) is an attractive tree, the base is heavily decayed making it a safety concern. Although the crown could be reduced, this would only be a short term, temporary measure, so felling is therefore recommended.

The veteran oak (T2) is an exceptional tree with high amenity and conservation value. Removal of the competing cypress (T3) is therefore recommended, along with coppicing of the holly (T5) to allow more light through to the canopy. A suppressed yew (T4) and a dead tree (T6) are also recommended for removal.

All tree works should be carried out by a reputable contractor, preferably one approved by the Arboricultural Association (www.trees.org.uk), to the standards set out in BS 3998:2010 British Standard recommendations for Tree Work.

Since the site falls within a Conservation Area you need to make an application to the council before any tree work is undertaken.

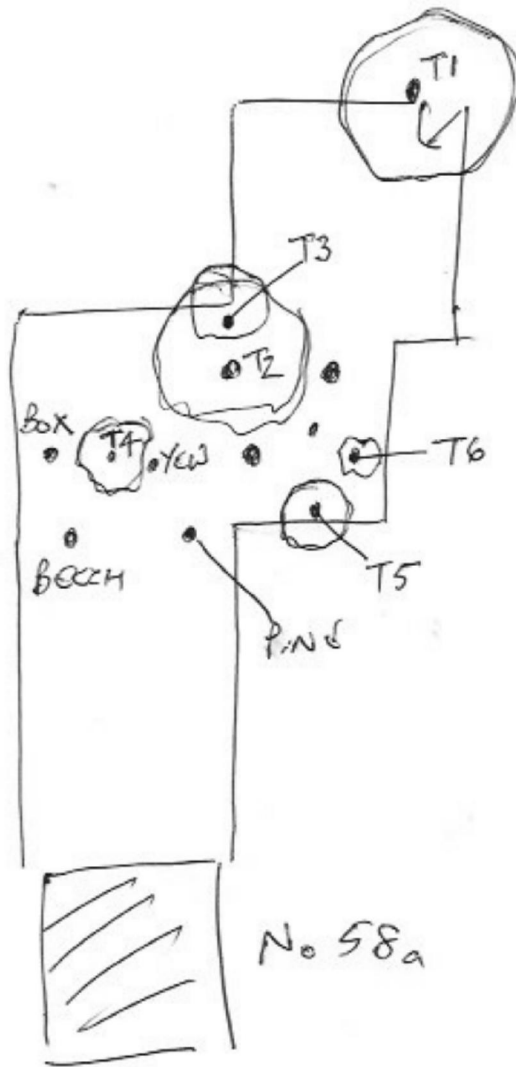
Yours sincerely,



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Site Layout Sketch:



REDDINGTON ROAD

Client: Gwen McDougal

Date: 18th January 2019

Site: 58a Reddington Road

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Tree Schedule

Tree/ Group No.	Species	Height (m)	Stem Diam. at 1.5m (mm)	Branch Spread (m)				Canopy Clearance (m)	Age Class	Observations	Management Recommendations
				N	S	E	W				
T1	Robinia	17	500	5	5	5	5	4.5	Mature	Reduced in past, but now with a well shaped canopy showing reasonable vigour. Located on boundary, with approximately 1/3 of base within garden of 58a Reddington road. Base is entirely hollow.	Remove to maintain safety of surrounding gardens.
T2	Oak	15	est 1200	5	9	6	9	3	Veteran	Fine veteran tree. Occasional dead branches providing good deadwood habitat.	No action required. Must maintain low epicomic growth, which could provide future canopy. Remove creeper growing up into canopy from adjacent garden.
T3	Lawson cypress	9	200	2	2	2	2	0.2	Early mature	Growing up through canopy of the oak (T2).	Remove to avoid competition with the oak (T2)
T4	Yew	3.5	100	1	2	3	1	1.7	Semi Mature	Suppressed.	Remove to allow adjacent yew and box to develop.
T5	Holly	10	300	3	3	3	3	1.2	Mature	One major stem, with extensive basal growth. Showing good vigour, but competing with adjacent Scots pine and cherry and shading the veteran oak (T2).	Cut to ground level and allow to reshoot.
T6	Dead tree	3.5	350	1	1	1	1		Dead	Almost entirely dead.	Remove.