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The details on Camden's Planning Website have an incorrect end date for formal consultation on application 2019/2602/T: "Comments until 20/05/2019" is 1 day BEFORE the application registration date shown (21/05/2019), hence we are unable to comment online and thus we are sending this email.

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The application states: "Request permission to prune back branches overhanging property of 25 Buckland Crescent so to prevent damage to paintwork of building by touching branches".

In considering this application, the exact scope of the envisaged work is of paramount importance; therefore we have sought and obtained clarification from the applicant (by an exchange of emails). We have no objections to the pruning back of the branches of the lime tree that either touch or are proximate to the **building** itself as we readily appreciate the applicant's desire to avoid damage to paintwork. In contrast, we would object strongly to the pruning back of all branches to the point where they overhang the **boundary of the land** occupied by 25 Buckland Crescent as that would constitute severe damage to the tree by reducing it to a vertically asymmetric 'half-tree' given that the main trunk directly abuts the front garden wall between numbers 25 and 27 Buckland Crescent and as such this mature tree spans both properties.

Therefore the key phrase to define and constrain approval of the scope of the work would appear to be "prevent damage to paintwork of the building by touching branches" and we hope the planning department will reflect this in any decision letter to the applicant (if the application is approved).