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Sent: 10 June 2019 12:53  
To: Planning [REDACTED]  
Subject: Planning Application 2019/2785/T

Dear Sir or Madam

I received notice that there has been a planning application to cut down two very large trees which adjoin the property I live in [REDACTED] as part of the rebuilding plans for 30 Glenilla Road.

There are several objections to this:

1. They are not only necessary in London for the large amount of carbon dioxide and other gases they absorb, which smaller and much less established trees cannot.
2. They provide a lot of necessary shade in the summer when otherwise our gardens can be baked by the sun. Their leaves (being large) also do a nice job of fertilising the rather poor London soil we have.
3. There is a great deal of wildlife that uses them - several garden birds nest in them, and squirrels are often seen in them.
4. These trees are very large and provide a great deal of cover and privacy between houses which are not far apart. We will be extremely visible in our block and our privacy will be removed.
5. Seeing that they are in a conservation area, I cannot understand how trees that must be several decades old and which are in good health can be allowed to be cut down, especially when we need as many trees as possible in our city. Is it not possible to save even one of them?
6. This was not part of the original plans which, when submitted, talked about the retention of the tree. This is therefore another application to change the original application. I feel certain that there will be legal grounds for appeal.

I earnestly ask you to use whatever influence you have to work a compromise in this situation by asking the planners to keep these necessary (and indeed beautiful) adjuncts to our lives. Once they are gone we cannot put them back and whatever replacements may be planned are bound to be a tenth of the scale and therefore only a tiny bit of compensation for a great loss.

With many thanks for considering this.

Yours sincerely

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