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Subject: FW: Caenwood Court 2919/0258/T

I have been asked to respond on behalf of Highgate CAAC, as our tree member is away, but I am also responding on the part of Highgate Neighbourhood Forum.

We note that one neighbour has already responded to this application but are surprised that the new owner of Athlone House has not appeared on the list of consultees and even more surprised that the City of London have not been consulted on behalf of Hampstead Heath. The site can clearly be seen from the Heath as the attached photos show

From the CAAC point of view, the felling of so many trees and shrubs would have a detrimental impact on the Conservation Area. I have not been able to find your latest Tree Strategy on your website, but feel certain it will contain something about the environment, pollution, foliage, shading and ecology, quite apart from the aesthetics of trees.

There is no detailed professional arboricultural report to support this application. The pruning seems excessive and it is unclear whether the felling is necessary.

The Highgate Neighbourhood Plan says:

Policy OS2: Protection of Trees and Mature Vegetation

1. Within the conservation areas or when protected by a TPO, specimen, veteran and mature trees and mature vegetation, which have townscape, ecological or amenity value should be retained where possible.
2. II. Developments will be expected to preserve or enhance the character of Highgate's conservation areas, and the setting of the major open spaces. This should include, where necessary, the provision of new or replacement planting. There should be no net loss of trees as a result of development, and pro rata replacement will be expected. *The development should not harm the local network of ecological corridors and stepping stones, unless the need for, and benefits of, the development in that location clearly outweigh the loss.*
3. Within the conservation areas or when protected by a TPO, if a mature tree is found to be diseased and requires works significantly reducing its ecological or amenity value, appropriate replacement planting will be sought as close to the original site of the tree as possible. Veteran trees should be retained where possible.

Policy DH10: Garden land and Backland Development

2. Backland development will be subject to the following conditions:
 - I. Existing mature trees and landscaping shall be retained wherever possible....Under these circumstances we would ask that the application be refused.

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