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I am writing to object to this Notice of Intent.

This oak is very likely a veteran tree and is awaiting confirmation as such from the Ancient Tree Inventory. It was identified as a significant tree on the 1866 Ordnance Survey Map of Hampstead. Please see below for other veterans nearby. It is of utmost importance that we manage these trees meticulously, as there are so few of them left.



This tree does not likely require the work proposed and in fact would be harmful to the tree. Please see below how past pruning has resulted in a much less natural look to this historic tree.

With respect to deadwood removal and future management – this should be approached carefully and with the input of an arboriculturalist expert in Veteran trees, to mitigate any damage to the tree.



I object to the work planned.

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