REDINGTON FROGNAL NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

9 December 2019

Dear Mr. Little and Mr. Bell,

The Neighbourhood Forum are gravely concerned over the extent of tree felling and consequent harm to the character of the Redington Frognal Conservation Area, designated as a heritage asset, and its setting. The level of fellings on private land has reached unsustainable proportions, with ProximiTREE data indicating that 40% of the conservation area's trees have been lost in just six years.

As others have noted, the whole of north London is situated on shrinkable clay, but this does not mean that every tree should be felled.

We would also point out that the Frognal and Fitzjohn's ward is at risk of surface water flooding, where drains and sewers are operating at capacity. As a Lead Local Flood Authority, it is particularly important that trees are retained to help reduce surface water runoff and drain and sewer flooding.

Against this background, we should like to object to the following notices of intent and to seek the trees' retention by means of TPOs.





2019/5847/T: 45 Maresfield Gardens

The trees here form part of a rear garden tree corridor, visible from Maresfield Gardens, contributing to the green aspect of the streetscape

Redington Frognal Neighbourhood Forum therefore request the retention of all of the above trees, in the absence of any evidence to demonstrate a particular need for their felling.

Yours sincerely,

Nancy Mayo

Secretary

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