

SJ Stephens Associates

ARBORICULTURAL, LANDSCAPE & MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS

Stephen Rankin 30 Parliament Hill London NW3 2TN

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Dear Stephen,

Re: Mulberry tree at 32 Parliament Hill, London NW3 2TN

While surveying trees growing within the garden of 30 Parliament Hill on 7th November 2019, you requested I comment on the Mulberry tree growing in your neighbour's garden and the risk of further subsidence.

The tree has been heavily reduced in the past, but has now put on approximately 2m of fresh growth. Although the steps to No30 and boundary wall have recently been rebuilt, presumably with adequate foundations, the tree should still be regularly pruned to reduce the risk of further subsidence problems occurring.

I suggest reducing the fresh growth by approximately 50%, so reducing the height of the tree by approximately 1m, as indicated on the photo attached – then carrying out further pruning on an annually.

All tree works should be carried out by a reputable contractor, preferably one approved by the Arboricultural Association (www.trees.org.uk), to the standards set out in BS 3998:2010 British Standard recommendations for Tree Work.

Yours sincerely,

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Mulberry tree at 32 Parliament Hill



Approx crown shape after Recommended pruning