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2019/6011/T	Beth Romain	05/01/2020 15:26:53	OBJ	I object strongly to this tree being cut down. It will ruin the enjoyment of looking out of my window and of sitting in the garden in summer.
2019/6011/T	James Romain	05/01/2020 15:30:46	OBJ	Please do not allow this beautiful tree to be cut down for no reason. It is an abomination.
2019/6011/T	Matthew	05/01/2020 22:04:57	OBJ	Please do not cut down this tree.
2019/6011/T	R Evans	04/01/2020 17:59:07	OBJ	<p>This is an objection to the application to remove the lime tree from the garden.</p> <p>A number of Gilling Court flats, and the common parts of the building, have suffered from subsidence. The conclusion of the experts, was that it was caused by the large trees at the front, and these were cut down.</p> <p>IF experts have been consulted about the lime tree in the shared garden of Gilling and Holmefield, and concluded that there was a risk of further damage to property, then of course the tree should be cut down.</p> <p>However, it would appear from the application made by the managing agents of Gilling Court, that there has been no consultation, and that there is no evidence of subsidence.</p> <p>The application is incorrect in stating that the owner is LBM, and, at the very least, residents of both Gilling and Holmefield should have been notified. This tree acts as a natural screen for both buildings and gives many people a great deal of pleasure. Not to mention the birdsong.</p> <p>A lime is an indigenous species and if in the event it did have to be removed, an indigenous tree should replace it.</p> <p>Has this decision been made by the managing agents and, if so, why?</p>

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2019/6011/T	Richard Cohen	06/01/2020 00:40:35	OBJ	<p>As with other correspondents, I see no reason why the tree in question needs to be felled. I urge the authorities to place a TPO upon this lime tree while this application takes its course. I have an interest in the tree's preservation as it sits in the centre of the view from my apartment. Perhaps a reason of substance will emerge during this consultation but if there were one it would surely have been mentioned in the application. If none were to appear then in my view the application to fell is outrageous. Anticipating that structural reasons may be invoked, on examination in situ, the wall closest to the tree is roughly 6m away and there is no evidence of cracking. I understand that Gilling Court's foundations are well under-pinned. It may be that some believe there is an issue with over-shading, but that is a subjective sentiment, some folk prefer shading and others do not. In any event the tree obligingly sheds its leaves in winter and in summer, past midday, it casts no shadow upon any window. Thank you for your attention.</p>

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2019/6011/T	LW	04/01/2020 16:20:41	OBJ	<p>██████████ I strongly object to the felling of the Lime tree ██████████</p> <p>1) The application says the tree is neither diseased nor causing structural damage. So why does the applicant want the tree to be felled? Surely they have to state this on the application? With such a careless and cursory attitude to the application, and limited information, how can this application even be considered or taken seriously? This alone should be enough to reject the application. Surely an application to fell a tree cannot be made without giving a reason? And surely the residents and locals affected by this proposal have a right to know why the application is being made.</p> <p>2) The applicant has shown no courtesy or regard to residents at Gilling Court. I see on other objections that residents of Holmefield Court (who share the garden) were not informed of the application. Well I as a resident of Gilling Court was not informed either! No letter came through my door and no notice was placed on the communal noticeboard.</p> <p>3) The applicant is named as Nikki Gunn. (She is the assistant to the portfolio director Katie Riches of London Block Management who manage Gilling Court). On the application it says company name is London Block Management but it also puts Flat 100, Gilling Court as the address. Flat 100 is not the office of LBM but a flat on the top floor of Gilling Court. It is the flat closest to the top of the tree...</p> <p>So who exactly is making this application? Nikki Gunn on behalf of LBM, or the resident of Flat 100? Or are they one and the same? If the applicant is the resident of Flat 100 and they want the tree felled to create more light – surely this is not allowed? I understand that a tree (especially in a conservation area) can only be trimmed (maximum of 30%) to allow more light, not felled! There seems to be a lack of transparency here and I suggest this is looked into and clarified before the application is considered.</p> <p>4) This is the only tree in the courtyard garden. It is a beautiful mature lime tree that not only encourages and helps wildlife but also contributes to the reduction of CO2 in the atmosphere. It is wonderful to look out on this tree and watch it change with the seasons and gives such pleasure to all the residents. This tree is in a conservation area and to needlessly cut it down would be a travesty, and surely not set a good precedent for future applications of this nature.</p> <p>5) Given all of the above I ask that this application be gone through with a fine toothed comb and ultimately rejected. I also ask that the applicant extend the simple and common courtesy to the residents of Gilling Court and Holmefield Court and tell us why this application is being made and who exactly is making it. And furthermore, as others have done, I ask that a Tree Preservation Order be placed to protect this lovely Lime Tree.</p> <p>Thank you</p>

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2019/6011/T	Michael Kavanagh	05/01/2020 21:55:33	OBJ	<p>There is no evidence of any need such as structural damage etc to justify the felling of a tree which constitutes a shared amenity in a communal garden.</p> <p>I do not know the status of the people making this application as "owner" of the tree in a shared garden. I would like to know more.</p> <p>Also, the attached supporting PDF marking the tree's position shows it far closer to the nearest building that it actually is.</p> <p>The tree is actually quite central in properly tended gardens shared by two blocks of "high desinity" flats with small floor space, which makes the protection and maintenance of the gardens as they now stand particularly important.</p>
