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Paul Joseph V J Management 6 Brookland Close LONDON NW11

Dear Paul

## Re: 14 Lindfield Gardens, London NW3 - Rear Lime Tree pruning

Further to our meeting and my inspection of Wednesday 6th November 2019, I wish to report as follows.

Please note all orientation is given as if one is facing the property from the front.

This report is to accompany a local authority application to undertake tree works to a tree within a conservation area.

This mature Lime tree situated in the rear right garden has a height of 17 metres with the previous pollarding pruning points of 9 metres. The girth of the tree is approximately 76 cm. There are areas of small scale loose bark and various pruning wounds to the stem generally but no significant visible defects and the tree appears to be in reasonable health.

The request for pruning is to allow the continuation of the previous pruning regime and to further reduce the tree height so that the tree can be retained into the future without significant conflicts with the occupiers as the tree is 3.1 metres from the No.14 house and 3.5 metres from the neighbouring building at No.12.

I would recommend the tree is reduced to 9 metres in height and maintained at this height into the future, with pruning work every 2-3 years.



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Lime trees are generally very resilient in terms of significant pruning work and this work may secure the tree's retention into the future whilst reducing any likely conflicts with adjacent structures and occupiers.

Please consider the above and if you wish to discuss do contact me.

Yours sincerely

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