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2020/1020/T		20/03/2020 17:03:55	COMMNT	<p>I and my neighbour Mall Studios support the application that the tree should be felled because as well as causing damage to the boundary and retaining wall, it is a potential danger to the residences of numbers and Mall Studios.</p> <p>The tree is three metres from these properties and overhangs them. The bedrooms are immediately beneath the timber boarded and tiled roofs. In spring when the leaves of the Lime tree are out the crown acts as a sail and the tree trunk sways in the heavy winds we are now getting. Small branches and twigs fall, but in the long run more serious damage could be done by the tree to the properties.</p> <p>Nevertheless I have concerns about possible ground heave as a result of moving the tree (as opposed to major pollarding). We have verbal reports from three professionals who have inspected the site: a building surveyor, Peter Sharp, a structural engineer, and a tree surgeon, that there is a possible risk to the foundations of numbers Mall Studios of ground heave, as the soil is London Clay (Refer to the Soil Type map of England and Wales, map number 256, North London). In summary, a ground heave assessment by an expert would give the applicant some assurance that the proposed removal of the tree to the ground would either not affect neighbouring properties, or, if this was not the case, an assessment could advise the best way of removing the bulk of the tree to avoid this issue.</p> <p>BSc Dio Arch RIBA</p>

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